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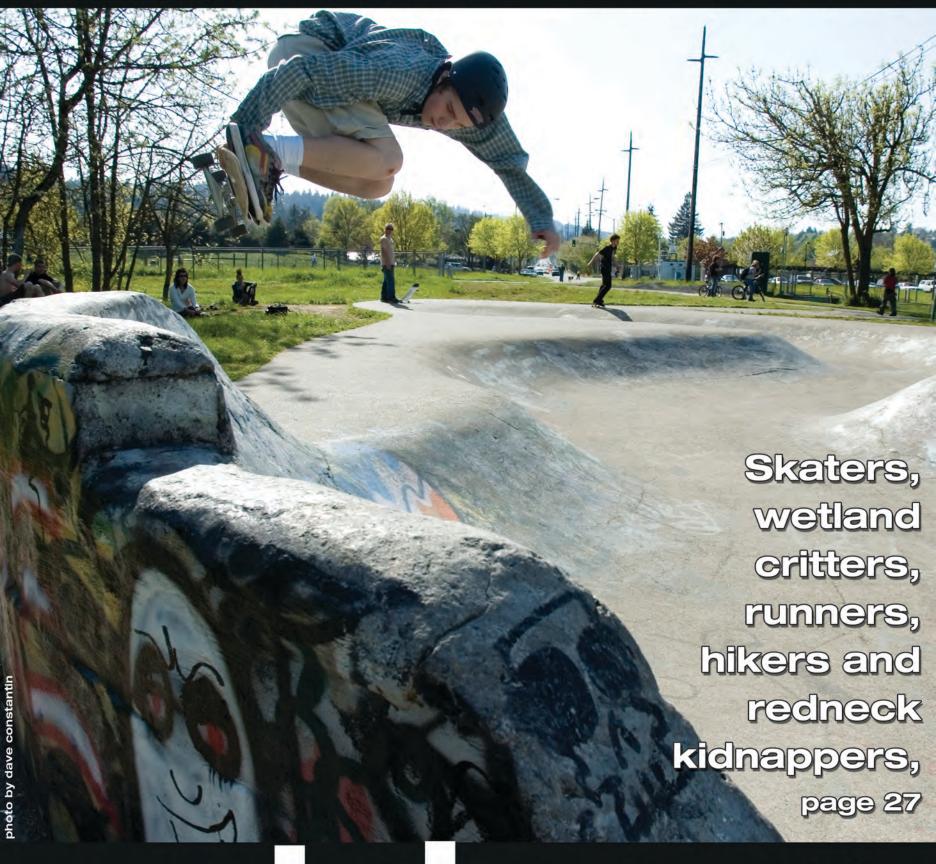
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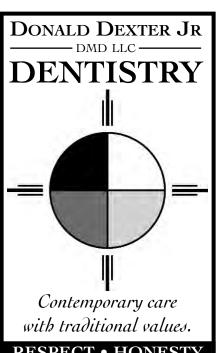




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# **How I See Priorities**

County commissioner candidate speaks out.

would like to introduce this opinion piece by calling on all citizens to demand that Oregon's U.S. senators and representatives pass legislation to end the senseless slaughter paid for by U.S. tax dollars, costs that could, by 2010, easily exceed \$1 trillion for wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. War now threatens to spill over into Iran if U.S. threats of armed intervention there are acted upon.

The permanent state of war announced by the Bush administration dooms the U.S. economy to continued military conflict fueled by profiteering and corruption while we are immobilized to stand effectively against the destruction. The virtual silence of the American public has allowed the president and Congress to fund and coordinate the slaughter.

Further, I urge everyone to call Congressman Peter DeFazio at his Eugene office and demand that he stop voting in favor of hundreds of billions of dollars in war funding. DeFazio has already supported these funds by his votes in Congress during the last couple of years. Please call Eugene PeaceWorks (343-8548) for more information.

# Stop giving huge tax breaks to foreign companies such as Hynix. Help local small businesses create more jobs.

Ending U.S. intervention abroad will save lives and allow the U.S. military to safely withdraw from a no-win situation where soldiers are in extreme danger. We must speak out loud and clear for peace and freedom from a war machine devastating our Earth. Let's end the huge expenditure and safely return U.S. soldiers back home, now.

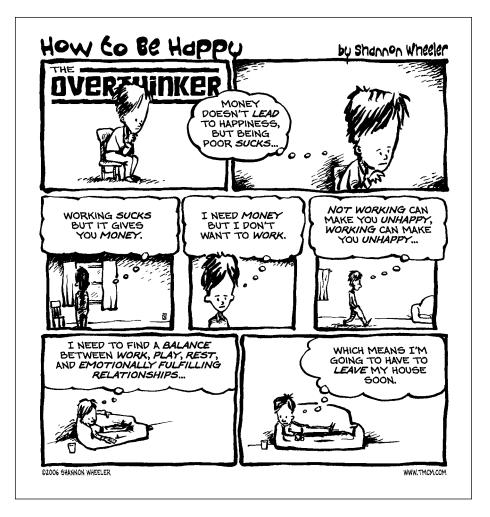
Approximately 150,000 U.S. soldiers and business personnel are stationed in the Middle East desert. This act of insane war-making has been nothing but a mistake of deceit and misinformation from the beginning, We must call on our congressional leaders to stop wasting trillions on an insane arms race while weakening our defensive capability at home and stealing funds we need in our neighborhoods. Stop spending our hard-earned tax dollars on death and destruction of people and nature!

I have worked the last 15 years to help promote ecologically sustainable forestry in Oregon. Tragically clearcuts continue leveling the last of our Earth's rainforest. China, Indonesia, Brazil, and to a dangerous extent, the U.S., have all allowed huge tracts of forest to be clearcut, damaging watershed and wildlife. Oregon's forest are rapidly being logged, leaving devastated forest ecosystems across the state. These forest practices must be stopped through state legislation amending the Oregon Forest Practices Act. Clearcut logging must be halted and replace with ecologically sustainable methods such as careful selective harvesting and non-toxic weed and pest controls, providing sustainable jobs in our forests.

Here are other positions I am taking:

- I strongly OPPOSE the Lane County public safety measure that will appear on the November Lane County ballot. NO NEW TAXES. Trim excess costs. Start by cutting in half the salary of Lane County commissioners – currently more than \$70,000 per commissioner! Use money for law enforcement more efficiently. Provide more funds for the highly effective and inexpensive electronic bracelet program, and for rehabilitation and job programs for our people.
- Regarding priorities for county programs, and how they would be funded: More drug rehabilitation programs and Neighborhood Watch coordination. Stop giving huge tax breaks to foreign companies such as Hynix. Help local small businesses create more jobs. Provide more money to human services, including job training and help for youth. Restore parks and natural areas. Provide public health programs and funding for free library services, through LCC, for all Lane County residents.
- In response to Measure 37: Legal battles are ongoing to determine the fate of Measure 37. When these are resolved we'll better understand Lane County's responsibilities. Meanwhile, let's protect our natural resources and restore our dwindling salmon populations so people who enjoy fishing can have jobs and recreation. Let's work together to restore our waterways and natural environment and support sustainable farming and forestry.

Gary Kutcher, candidate for East Lane County Commissioner, can be reached at kutcher@efn.org; for more



# LETTE'S TO THE EDITOR

### **RIDICULOUS MESSAGE**

Good grief! Whatever happened to the principles of responsible journalism? How could you regard an anonymous e-mail with sender and recipient redacted as evidence of widespread disrespect by city staff of elected officials? A moment of thought might suggest that given the uproar over Jim Carlson's far less inflammatory e-mail, no city employee in his or her right mind would send such a ridiculous message via electronic mail. If I had manufactured and sent to you anonymously an email that suggested Bonny Bettman was engaged in an unwarranted persecution of city staff, would you have used it as the basis of an article cataloging her misdeeds? I think not.

Alan Pittman should check out employment opportunities with the White House and Pentagon. I understand they are always looking for "journalists" who are skilled at misleading the public.

I'm glad we have an alternative press in Eugene, but think the community has a right to expect a higher standard of reporting and some token efforts at fairness.

Lynn Taylor Eugene

# **WETLANDS ALTERNATIVE**

On June 19, 2001, the City of Eugene, Lane County, the Oregon Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Bureau of Land Management reached consensus on selecting "no build" for the West Eugene Parkway (WEP), and decided to finish Beltline highway as part of an effort to find practical solutions to west Eugene traffic. Documents from that decision are archived at www.permatopia.com/wetlands/nobuild.html

It is nice that Mayor Piercy says she wants to look at alternatives to the WEP. However, since local governments do not make federal highway decisions, the City Council vote last October against WEP lacks legal power to stop it, just as the 51-to-49 citizen vote in favor of the WEP in November 2001 cannot force

the FHWA to approve the porkway.

It is weird that the Mayor, who has been a WEP opponent for many years, is avoiding the fact that there are already practical alternatives. After the State of the City speech in January, she tried to persuade me that the June 2001 inter-governmental "No Build" consensus did not happen (it was never implemented, but the agreement did happen). The mayor has declined to mention the WETLANDS alternative, which is largely based on the June 2001 consensus. If the city really wants to stop the WEP, it would transfer its properties bought for WEP to the BLM's West Eugene Wetlands project for conservation and restoration, which would make WEP even more illegal to approve.

The WETLANDS alternative — West Transportation, Land Eugene Neighborhood Design Alternatives described in detail at their website: www.permatopia.com/wetlands.html

> Mark Robinowitz Eugene

# **BEST FOR THE BENCH**

Though I'm now retired, I practiced law in Lane County for more than 30 years. From that experience, I have a strong opinion about the Lane County Circuit Court race.

Only Alan Leiman has demonstrated judicial temperament — one of the most important qualities a judge can possess. I have personally witnessed the devastating effects of rude and impatient judges on the clients in their courtrooms. For criminal defendants, it further diminishes their respect for society. For civil litigants, it can shatter the fragile psyche of a divorce litigant or a victim of domestic violence. For business people, it is simply shocking to be treated in such a manner.

Judges are the face of our judicial system. Leiman has already demonstrated his character on the bench, and he is clearly the most qualified candidate for the position

> Ken Gough Eugene

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### **FLICK THE LEVER**

Around noontime I saw two cars idling at a stop sign intersection, each alert to the other, and both seemingly at a loss as to how to proceed. I waited it out at on the sidewalk. After a while one inched forward a bit, and then the other, and then they both turned left. Neither signaled with a blinker. Employing turn signals seems pretty unhip these days, but I'm not speculating on cause. Just please use them, save us the guesswork, and perhaps spare a life or two. OK?

> Aaron Rosenberg Eugene

### PREDATORY HEALTH CARE

In a recent article in the R-G, it was mentioned that PeaceHealth had "rescued" three local hospitals (Florence, the Eugene Clinic and Cottage Grove). I guess "rescued" is a euphemism for "driving them out of business and taking them over." And they were fined for illegal trade practices in trying to do the same to McKenzie Willamette. In discussions of these "hospital wars," greed is often cited as the root of PeaceHealth's predatory practices, (hence the nickname "Sacred Wallet") but we must remember that PeaceHealth is also an ideological entity with a goal of restricting the availability of medical care in Lane County to those procedures approved by a bunch of old men in dresses, in Rome, who believe in forced pregnancies and the protection of pedophiles.

And before we listen to the propaganda about what great state-of-the-art medicine we have in Eugene, let's consider the following: Have you ever heard of anyone from Portland coming to Eugene for medical care? I'll guarantee you there're a lot more going from Eugene to Portland, myself having been one. Predation, rather than honest competition, does not result in improved medical care.

It is imperative that access to the full spectrum of medical care be preserved in Lane County, yet we have allowed PeaceHealth to erode such access and force our communitybased hospital to be sold to a large corporation in order to compete.

> Wayne Ford Eugene

### MAHN'S THE ONE

On May 16 voters have the opportunity to choose a new Lane County assessor. Bill Mahn is the only candidate who has the necessary experience and qualifications to do the job. Bill has worked in the assessor's office for 21 years, starting as an accounting clerk in property records. He trained as a residential appraiser and was promoted to commercial appraiser, then became the personal property appraiser for the county, and finally advanced to his current position as the lead commercial appraiser in the department.

It is essential that the assessor knows how

to appraise property and has actually done so right here in Lane County. Bill is the only candidate who can make that claim. Through 21 years of experience, including the institution of Measure 5 and Measure 47/50 in the last decade, Bill has a practical and thorough understanding of property taxation and assess-

He doesn't have a lot of political connections because he's not a politician; what he does have is the support of the majority of the current employees in the department, those who know him best and work with him on a daily basis. It is interesting to note that none of the county commissioners bothered to interview Bill before handing out their endorse-

Bill does have the endorsements of AF-SCME Local 2831 and 626 and has been active in union activities and the rights of workers. Bill is the underdog in this race, and his campaign is a grassroots effort. Most importantly, he will be a strong advocate for the taxpayers of Lane County, with a commitment to fairness and equity.

I have worked with Bill for over 15 years as a Lane County appraiser and I know that he will do an outstanding job as the next Lane County assessor. Please join me in supporting

> Steve Nasset Junction City

### **COERCION, NOT SEX**

Newsflash: When a cop coerces someone to perform a sexual act, it is not "cop sex," but cop sexual assault. Sex is what happens between consenting individuals. Once coercion enters the picture, regardless of what physical acts are involved, it is no longer "sex." Why is it that you can't seem to understand that sexual assault by police offers isn't sexy? It's not a blow, or any other sort of, job. It's assault. It's rape. It's not kinky. It's not sex.

Here's what might be a handy rule of thumb: Until you clearly understand the difference between sex and sexual assault, drop all pretense to being sophisticated and just re-

> Timothy Shaw Eugene

EDITOR'S NOTE: "Cop sex" was the teaser headline on the cover of our 4/13 issue. The actual story headline inside was "Magaña Ruling: Failure to stop cop sex abuse was pervasive.

# TRUCKS AND DUCKS

Eugene Weekly's suggestion that land EWEB plans to vacate along the riverfront be used as a park has Eugene Planning Commissioner Philip Carroll so upset he's parlayed the proposal into "an 'us versus them' shouting match" (4/20). Before "demanding specific outcomes," he says, "we should first discover what really lies at the water's edge." Fair enough. Let's take a look.

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# Celebrate American Wetlands Month!

he Willamette Resources and Educational Network (WREN) will kick off American Wetlands Month activities with a reception for the "Show Me the West Eugene Wetlands" photo exhibit to hang May-June at the Eugene Public Library.

The reception will take place May 5th at the downtown library.

5:30 p.m. Wetlands Photo Exhibit stop on the First Friday ArtWalk

6 p.m. WREN Educational Presentation on Wetlands

6:30-7:45 p.m. Acoustic Celtic music performed by Tom's Kitchen in the rotunda.

# This event is free and open to the public! Don't miss these other WETLANDS MONTH ACTIVITIES!

May 3rd Evening Marsh Walk

May 6th Wetlands Nature Photography Workshop

May 7th Wildflowers & Wings Walk

May 10th Hynix Stormwater Tour

May 13th WREN booth at the Fern Ridge Wings & Wine Festival

May 17th The Natural History of the River Otter

May 24th Hynix Wetland and Upland Walk

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# **LETTERS** TO THE EDITOR

# Adding to the Mix

Integrating stormwater management and rainwater harvesting

atershed level stormwater management is gaining traction not only to ameliorate negative effects of conventional practices, but to yield advantages that were not previously available. Synergistic benefits are further leveraged by adding rainwater harvesting to the mix. Pending policy encourages innovative stormwater management but falls short on integrating modern rainwater harvesting methods with restrictive code. The Eugene Stormwater Management



Plan is slated for adoption at the 7:30 pm May 8 council meeting at 777 Pearl St.. First, let's determine why the stormwater portion should be passed, then examine why the rainwater portion must be held back for further public input.

Stormwater and rainwater are intimately linked. Both often contain contaminants that should be filtered. Rain is a primary water source like surface water or groundwater, but certainly is not reclaimed water. The use of collected rain is called rainwater harvesting (RWH). Rainwater is commonly used around the world for all needs, including drinking (with proper filtration and purification).

RWH complements stormwater management because it achieves parallel goals including: eliminating contaminants, decreasing water velocity and erosion, maintaining low water temperature, decreasing flood risk, and increasing water infiltration to recharge aguifers. Previously municipal goals were flood control. Now, a holistic approach considers water quantity and timing, but also water quality and health of watersheds. The Stormwater Management Plan is adapted from Portland's award-winning and nationally recognized plans due to this highly effective, multi-pronged approach. Let's adopt it May 8.

RWH has been proven to retain environmental services, natural beauty, conserve drinking water, reduce infrastructure, save money for ratepayers and developers, improve infiltration, recharge aguifers and trap sediment. These techniques benefit stream and wetland restoration, too.

These advantages are especially beneficial over time and scale. The combined effect of multiple properties harvesting rain will provide significant cost savings and tangible benefits. If 10 percent of Eugene/Springfield used 3,000gallon cisterns once per year, we would save 45 million gallons! With regional population growth, this is crucial. Already EWEB is looking to obtain more water rights; Creswell needs to address groundwater quality; and Veneta wants to obtain alternative water sources (Register-Guard, Sept 18, 2005). These needs may very well be met using rainwater, saving purified drinking water for, well, drinking.

RWH also increases water security. If we develop multiple sustainable water sources, our reliance on one source is buffered. Successful community-scale RWH is emerging. The Tualatin Valley Water District uses a 40,000 gallon system to flush latrines. A portfolio of multiple small distributed water sources like these provides a more robust and flexible water-supply system than a centralized water system alone. Clearly, the benefits of RWH can be increased by allowing innovative rainwater uses at all scales for any purpose. RWH is not rocket science, doesn't need to be engineered and can be done by anybody (well, maybe we want engineers for commercial projects).

Policy that encourages RWH, allows for innovation, educates the community and protects public safety is needed. However, the pending plan includes needlessly restrictive RWH code. For example, only one very specific filter is allowed, even though dozens exist. Stormwater fees are not waived even if you manage all stormwater onsite. It may require three separate permits rather than one. It requires a built shade structure; foliage is considered inadequate. It requires expensive engineering approval and plans, which disenfranchises low-income folks.

Solid RWH code will be: outcome based; easy to read, understand and implement; provide how-to guide; leverage existing education programs (like LCC RWH Design/Build Workshop); and require filtration appropriate to use. This code will more likely succeed if bolstered by: free or low cost water quality testing; economic incentives for new and appropriate technology; and preparation for the future of alternative water sources. The budding RWH industry using appropriate and sustainable technology can also be part of the Sustainable Business Initiative (think ferrocement tanks, sand filters). Many cities even give away water tanks, provide demonstration systems and free how-to guides.

Please show your support for common sense RWH code. Stop this now before it stops you from harvesting rain! Let's show the Council that we the public can be trusted to use common sense, maintain good systems and not get sick by drinking unfiltered rainwater. See you May 8.

Tammie Stark, M.A., teaches at LCC, has a consultation firm to design rainwater harvesting systems, and leads the Rainwater Catchment Pilot Project for EWEB. To learn more about RWH code, see www.eugenerainwater.com or write tammie@eugenerainwater.com

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What lies at the water's edge between the river and the asphalt bike path is a strip of native and non-native trees and shrubs too narrow to adequately protect the river. On the other side of the path is a chain-link fence enclosing 27 acres of asphalt, EWEB maintenance buildings and equipment.

In its recent history the Willamette has been dammed, rip-rapped and channeled, which has opened its banks to the pollution of housing, chemically maintained lawns, roadways, restaurants — and a public utility. Very little of the natural river remains. Restoration of the EWEB site to a natural park seems a reasonable proposal in keeping with its proximity to, and master plans for, Skinner Butte and Alton Baker parks and the needs of the river itself.

Carroll doesn't say what he's discovered at the water's edge. But from the point of view of the "riparianistas," his riverfront group, "the edge formed by a promising young city and a far-reaching old stream" has plenty of room for both trucks and ducks. If "riparianistas" conjures a vision of wild-oriented, if not wildeyed, revolutionaries, think Wise Use with a veneer of liberal acceptability.

EWEB's maintenance facility shouldn't be used as a pretext for development dressed in green. The Willamette River has served our needs for more than 150 years. It's time we serve the needs of the river.

> Robert Emmons Fall Creek

### **BIKE PARADE**

Critical Mass: The minimum amount of fissionable material necessary to sustain a nuclear chain reaction at which point a nuclear chain reaction becomes self-sustaining.

To choose a specialized term associated directly to the natural science of physics and assume the "Critical Mass" bike parade is in any way correspondent to the natural function of physics is pretentious and absurd.

Critical mass as defined by science is a completely natural event, whereas the bicycle parade is a completely contrived event. If the everyday usage of bicycles increased to the point where such an event actually occurred naturally on the streets of Eugene, then there may be some correlate association to critical mass.

However, as it is presently staged, this event is more akin to the psychological event called "control drama," as this is what these people are indeed acting out — all at the expense of the traffic flow and the patience of drivers and the police department.

To think that such a staging of the so-called Critical Mass bike parade is raising consciousness about bike use is absolutely delusional.

The only thing this event is raising is the tax dollars necessary to pay for the extra police people required to monitor this event and to prevent serious accidents as a result of breaking traffic laws.

As for the violence folks — this bicycle parade of "critical chaos" is a passive-aggressive act, directly causing the police to react in a violent way. You reap what you sow, what goes around comes around. Just like a bicycle wheel.

Please take more responsibility for this irresponsible event, and realize that you are giving the rest of us bicyclers a bad image by simply riding bikes in this irresponsible event!

> Tom Vincent Newport

### **INACCURATE GEOGRAPHY**

Does Kera Abraham get out of Eugene much? Her sloppy inaccurate locality references ("The Battle of Biscuit," 4/13) remind me of President George W. Bush's publicly revealed ignorance of geography. Kera's lack of knowledge or research of landmarks south of Lane County has lowered the credibility of her entire article.

She states people in Douglas County wondered what to do after Biscuit. However, because the fire occurred in Curry and Josephine counties, residents of those counties were probably wondering even more, although I do concede that timber interests in neighboring Douglas and Jackson Counties were also seriously mulling it over.

She also states that the Forest Service has proposed sales in roadless areas around the Siskiyou's Klamath Wilderness, Sorry, no such place. If she had looked at a map of the Biscuit fire area, she would see that it is the

Kalmiopsis Wilderness that was affected by the Biscuit and that Forest Service sales are planned and already have occurred up to the edge of the wilderness area (and in some cases into adjacent botanical areas).

Kera, you've done a disservice to us who place great value on our national forest, our unlogged roadless areas and on accurate reporting and fact-checking!

Melissa McDowell Gold Beach

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EDITOR'S NOTE: Thanks for the feedback. We have

### A REAL THRILLER

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I was quite impressed with Kera Abraham's "The Battle of the Biscuit" cover story (4/13). It read like a political thriller. It makes me wish it were fiction when I saw yet another story of corporate influence corrupting public servants. Daniel Donato certainly seems brave for a graduate student. As a grad student myself, I'm glad I don't to deal with an

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oppressive department interfering with my research.

Thank you for covering this important local environmental issue. I have been hearing a lot about it in fragments, but I hadn't really sat down and concentrated on finding out a cohesive story until I read your article. I went to the April 17 campus talk to find out more.

Great job!

Carrie Packwood Freeman Eugene

### **BUSH ON THE COUCH**

Last week I was inspired by David Barsamian at his lecture at Harris Hall on, "Another World is Possible: People Power in the age of Empire." I found him to be humorous, informative and motivating.

He was frightening, too. He pointed out that Bush is likely going to start a war with Iran in the beginning of October to help keep Republicans running Congress. If history is a teacher, it may well succeed. That means that impeachment is unlikely although I feel it is important to keep the pressure up.

I asked Mr. Barsamian (who is the director of "Alternative Radio," which is on KLCC Tuesday nights at 6:30 and at www.alternativeradio.org) if he would have Justin A. Frank, MD. on his show. Dr. Frank wrote the book, *Bush on the Couch: Inside the Mind of* 

the President. It is an extensive analysis drawing the conclusions that Bush is an untreated alcoholic who can only see things in black and white. Also Bush is a paranoid megalomaniac with sadistic tendencies who resents the troops he sends to war. Dr. Frank concludes that Bush must be removed from office before he hurts more people.

Bush is a danger to himself and a danger to others. It must be possible to have him committed to a mental institution for evaluation and treatment to protect him and those around him. I strongly recommend that everyone read Dr. Frank's book and *EW* interview him as to the possibilities of removing Bush through commitment proceedings as there seem to be no other solutions.

Anand Keathley Eugene

### **IMPRESSIVE HILL**

On Sunday the 16th of April, Eugene radio station KLCC featured gubernatorial candidate Jim Hill, and I was listening. About midway in the show an unasked question kept crossing my mind, so I decided to call in.

I'd read in an Associated Press article that at the age of 13, Jim had met Martin Luther King, Jr. Knowing how my own convictions were influenced at that same age, I asked him what an impact meeting King had on his own

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# **Odd Neighbors**

Whole Foods building vs. the new courthouse

t appears that the Whole Foods/parking structure/credit union, etc. project will happen, although the "design" process seems to be limited to the idea of a ho-hum store with parking on the roof and a parking structure selected on the basis of lowest cost per square foot. Since these structures will be neighbors to the new federal courthouse – Eugene's pride and joy – the idea of confronting a high-quality and expensive monument with the shoddiest utilitarian structure is perhaps part of what makes Eugene, Eugene. I can imagine Judge Hogan's excitement when he realizes that the vista from the front of his building will feature two rooftop used-car lots. Eugene's Crown Jewel will be a diamond ring where the diamond's setting is Silly Putty.

A couple of design approaches are obvious:

- Require design of all elements on this block to be sensitive to their relationship to each other and to the courthouse. Cost should not be the first consideration.
- Discard the idea of several separate properties/projects. Design the whole block as an entity. Some possibilities would include: Excavate the whole block for one, or if needed, two levels of parking. Design the structure to carry Whole Foods and whatever other buildings are contemplated. The Whole Foods parking should be arranged around a generous garden court containing escalators and elevators, and opening up to the skylight roof. The Whole Foods building, since it would not have parking on the roof, could be higher and more translucent, giving the store more the feeling of an open-air market. The second part of the roof could be planted, perhaps even to provide some extremely local produce for the store, or perhaps for a U-pick garden in the heart of downtown! Unique. Eugene. And so good to look at from the upper floors of the court house.
- The below-grade parking could provide similar access to whatever other buildings are built on the site and to the sidewalk. The below-grade level could even be extended as an underpass under Highway 99 for access to the court house, millrace and the river.

So much money has been spent and will be spent. So little thought has been given. Maybe Eugene could be different. A well-designed project on the Whole Foods block should complement the federal courthouse, not work against it. And knowing that we taxpayers are already spending \$70 million on the courthouse, it would be foolish to devalue our investment by allowing cheap-looking standardized construction almost adjacent.

Grant Seder has been a Eugene architect for more than 50 years.

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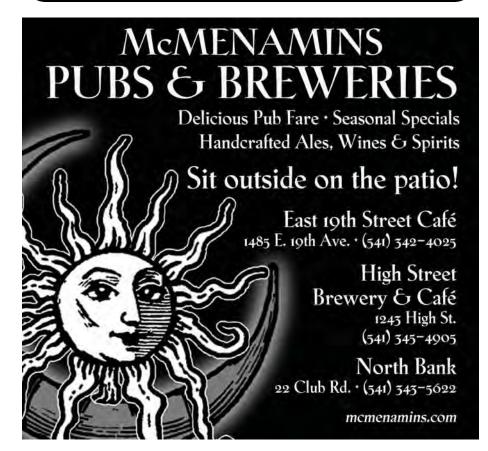
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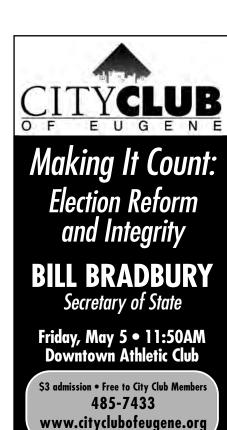
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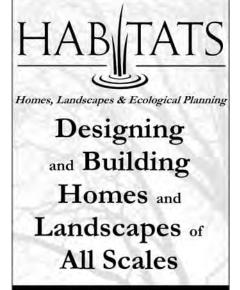


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# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

decision to enter public service.

Though I surmised the experience was at the foundation of his political beliefs, I was quite surprised by the emotional candor evidenced in his response. For a few moments I was acutely aware that this man was reflecting on a time — the year was probably 1961 when the Civil Rights Movement was at its peak, and he was a young person of color in Atlanta, Georgia. He composed himself and answered affirmatively that this had a great deal to do with his path in life and his advocacy for working people. I was so filled with emotion by that point, as I visualized the sad and controversial memories he must be recalling, I may not have captured his precise words.

But, regardless, I drew from it more evidence of his integrity. And in a time when many of us yearn desperately for leaders who speak from the heart and exhibit courage, it was like a breath of fresh air in generally stifling political times.

> Star Holmberg Springfield

## **FACT VS. FICTION**

Debra Merskin's article on Hustle and Flow (4/30) mixes fact with fiction. Yes, the stereotyped and distorted portrayal of the pimp on MTV and video games is destructive, pathological, and should not be celebrated. But since Hustle and Flow offers a complex human story about a pimp, that does not make it automatically evil.

The film does not glorify or "sweeten," as she puts it, the life or character of the pimp, "DJay." He arrives home to a house of screaming kids, and a hooker who berates and belittles him. He drives an old Chevy with no paint job and a push button radio. He sells drugs, pimps and hustles, and yet he still lives in a run-down house in a run-down neighborhood. In a poignant scene he tells us what we have long since discovered: He does not want to be doing what he is doing.

Rather than glorifying the life of a pimp, the film contextualizes the reasons why people are forced into that life and demonstrates the barriers to escaping its reality. Just like rap music, the film tells a story that, like it or not, portrays the life as it is for some people. And it is through his music that he finds a means to regaining the purpose, dignity and self-respect that his existence will not otherwise permit.

Some people, like Debra, may hear words like bitch and pimp and become triggered by them (and rightfully so), but in order to understand their meaning one also has to understand their context. She fails because she judges the words as objects in her politically correct universe, rather than seeing their flawed but meaningful place in a complex world.

Debra believes we are "pimped into believing (DJay) is a good guy." Since the movie portrays him as one, I am left to wonder why Debra believes that he isn't. My only hunch is that she believes that being a pimp and a good guy are mutually exclusive. I find this odd, since hundreds of movies portray businessmen, lawyers, politicians, and college professors (the hustlers of white culture) as good people, and yet she makes no mention of them. She accuses us of "celebrating pathology," but what I see her doing is undermining a rare glimpse into the humanity (and complexity) of black ghetto culture.

Luke Gonzales Eugene

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# On Ethics and Religion

Can you have one without the other?

pparently many Americans are frightened of anyone who isn't connected to a religious faith. A new study by the Minnesota
Department of Sociology found, according to its researchers, that "Americans rate atheists below Muslims, recent immigrants, gays and lesbians and other minority groups in 'sharing their vision of American society.' Atheists are also the minority group most Americans are least willing to allow their children to marry."

There was one other time I came in dead last: the summer I ran a 10K race in Rockport, Maine. In Eugene races, everyone turns up for the fun, from fast, fit runners to people who enjoy a brisk trot in a cheerful atmosphere. In Rockport, Maine, it seems that *all* those who run in 10K races actually intend to win. It was me and the sweep ambulance for six miles.

When I mentioned the Minnesota study to a friend in Washington, she said cheerfully, "No wonder I was 25 before I got married!"

She recalled the second week of a job she held with a large social justice and environmental granting foundation. The staff was gathered for a discussion of ethics. One of the foundation staff said he didn't think a person could have ethics apart from religion, and *Christian* religion was implied.

"Let's be clear," my friend said, despite being the new girl on the block. "Ethical living has no correlation with religion."

She seems to be in the minority on that understanding, at least in the U.S.

A second recent survey, this one by Pew Research Center for the People and the Press, asked Americans, "Do you think the use of torture against suspected terrorists in order to gain important information can often be justified, sometimes be justified, rarely be justified, or never be justified?"

Catholics were found to be the most accepting of torture: 21 percent figure torture is often justified; 35 percent sometimes justified, and 16 percent rarely, for a total of 72 percent. Catholics were followed by white evangelicals, and white Protestants. The group *least* accepting of torture was "secular" Americans – with 10 percent thinking torture is often justified and a total of 51 percent.

I don't know if people interviewed in the Minnesota study view acceptance of torture as a sign that someone shares their vision of American society. I don't know what societal values they think secular people don't share with them.

During my 60 years, I have observed fine, thoughtful, kind and socially helpful people who are not aligned with a religion, and who are. Likewise, I have observed sexual abuse, economic exploitation, political chicanery, killing and stealing by people who are aligned with a religion, and who are not. (The only time someone stole from our house was when a person took our stereo during one Christmas season in Southern California. Before absconding with one of the speakers, the burglar removed from its top each piece of an African-carved crèche scene. and then carefully reassembled it on the floor, with Mary and Joseph properly attending to the baby Jesus. It's not right to mess with baby Jesus.)

opefully none of us are strangers to the role religions have played in helping many people think beyond despair, money, or self to join in care for strangers, family, and vulnerable people. Hopefully, all of us are also aware of the role religions have played in spawning or justifying subjugation, prejudice, Crusades, wars and genocide. Both outstandingly moving and courageous actions and unconscionably horrific or cowardly actions have issued from religious leaders and believers.

One of the values upon which our American society was founded is religious tolerance. This necessarily extends to those of us who find meaning and values outside of any formal religion or theology. I have been proud of America whenever, testifying in court, I have been given the option of affirming that I will tell the truth instead of swearing on a Bible.

After all, I, like you, share the vision of a society built on truth, compassion, thoughtful deliberation, democratic participation, rights and responsibilities, and love of people and Earth.

I share with you the profound ability to pass ethics, values, and a sense of wonder to my children.

And I share with you the need to be able to believe what I truly believe about religion. Someone always comes in last, but that should be based on actual performance (like the race in Maine), not on the basis of fear.

Mary O'Brien of Eugene has worked as a public interest scientist since 1981. She can be reached at mob@efn.org

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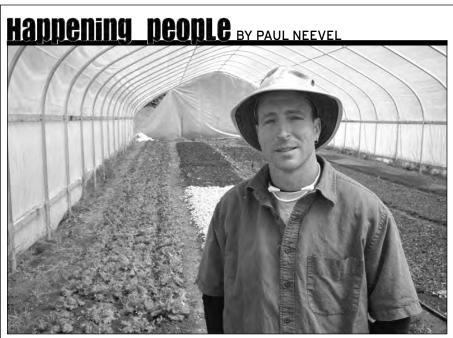


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- We're getting some feedback regarding our primary election endorsements last week (see our abbreviated ballot picks on page 9), and one complaint was that we "politicized a nonpartisan race" by labeling county assessor candidates with their political affiliations. What? Taxes are political? In general we find Republicans to be disinclined to tax big corporations, and some R's we know would like to see all government shrink to nothing, except of course for the military and prisons. Democrats, on the other hand, are similarly biased to see government's role as benefiting society and bolstering free enterprise, and taxes make it all happen. Do these political inclinations have an impact on property assessment and tax collection? We like to think that's *not* going on in our assessor's office, but it would be naïve to think the complexity of property evaluation plays out in a vacuum.
- Remarkable turnout in Eugene and around the country May 1 as more than a million people took a day off work to protest unfair labor and immigration policies in the U.S. For many years, fears of deportation or reprisal have kept many immigrants, both documented and undocumented, from standing up for not only their rights but also their humanity. This is a show of solidarity that cannot and should not be ignored.
- There's no shortage of absurdities to get riled about today, and one of them is the ongoing persecution of marijuana users, even for medicinal purposes. The pot prohibition is a massive and ineffective diversion of resources, driven by misinformation and right-wing zealotry. Several noted experts on the topic are speaking at the sixth annual Global Marijuana March at 2 pm Saturday at the Federal Building downtown. Check out www.GlobalMarijuanaMarch.com



# **JOHN POYNTER**

Ten years ago Texas native John Poynter earned a degree in wildlife and fisheries biology at OSU. "Now I use it to wipe my brow," says Poynter, who opted instead for a career in organic farming to stay close to his wife, Shannon, and newborn son Ezra on their 10 acres west of Lorane. Hey Bayles! Farm grew veggies for seven subscriber families in its first season of community supported agriculture. Over the years, Poynter has gradually converted pasture land to crop production and built greenhouses to grow exotic salad greens 10 months a year, and heirloom-variety vegetables in a climate 10 degrees cooler than Eugene's. "We stepped into the Saturday Farmers' Market at just the right time," he notes. "The next year, several big growers dropped out." In its 10th anniversary year, Hey Bayles! Farm supplies 65 CSA members plus several restaurants and markets. It employs eight workers, including interns who get classroom instruction as well as hands-on experience. Find the Hey Bayles! booth at the Farmers' Market and the Hey Bayles! website at www.heybaylesfarm.com

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# UNITED IN A DREAM

"There's not ever going to be a wall big enough or wide enough to keep back people who want to feed their hungry children or who are running from war," Silver A. Mogart said.

Mogart, vice-president of the Associated Students of LCC and a member of LCC's Diversity Council, spoke to mostly Latino crowd at the Day Without Immigrants Rally Monday afternoon.

The crowd, estimated at around 400 by rally organizers, showed their colors "for peace" by wearing white t-shirts and for the U.S. by waving tons of red, white and blue flags. The rally came after a national day of action, a boycott of work and school by immigrants and their allies, organized in Eugene by CAUSA and other groups.

As Mogart finished, Jefferson Middle School eighth-graders Yesenia Palma, Perla Hernandez and Christina Beltran cheered. The girls, who stayed home from school, came to the rally to "support our people against this law that will hurt our people and our economy," Perla said.

"This law" is HR 4437, which would make felons both of undocumented immigrants and of anyone who provided services to them. The law overwhelmingly passed the House in December; it would also build 700 miles of wall along the U.S.-Mexico border. Some at the rally held signs saying "DeFazio, shame on you," a reference to Congressman Peter DeFazio's vote for the bill.

"It's not a fair law," said Beatriz Loper, director of the Spanish program at Eugene Language Services, "and we're here to say there should be other types of proposals."

The Oregon Center for Public Policy (OCCP) estimates that 150,000 undocumented immigrants in Oregon pay almost

\$70 million in state income taxes, property taxes and excise taxes although each family averages \$24,300 in income. In addition, the OCPP says, "undocumented immigrants cannot collect unemployment insurance benefits," so Oregon employers who pay \$29 to \$34 million in unemployment insurance taxes for undocumented workers do so to the benefit only of citizens or documented immigrants.

Near the beginning of the rally, an Asian line dance group performed. David Tam, the coordinator, explained that they came to the rally "to represent, to show support for immigration, not only from the Latino communities but from all communities."

— Suzi Steffen

# DISCIPLINE FOR E-MAIL

City Manager Dennis Taylor has disciplined his Assistant City Manager Jim Carlson with a formal written reprimand for Carlson's "She's Baaack" e-mail comment regarding City Councilor Bonny Bettman.

In the reprimand, Taylor calls the email "inappropriate, unprofessional and disrespectful" and said it "negatively impacts the credibility and working relationship of the entire city staff with our elected officials."

Taylor also writes that Carlson's failure to immediately tell him about the e-mail and apologize to Bettman "demonstrates a serious lack of judgment."

"I will not tolerate any unprofessional or disrespectful communications from you, or any city employee," Taylor states. He warns that further breaches could result in additional discipline or termination.

The reprimand describes Carlson as a "superior performer" for the city but notes a previous oral warning for speaking inappropriately in public and an evaluation stating that Carlson needed to work on his communication style. In addition to the reprimand, Taylor directed Carlson to write a training on respectful communication and apologize to Bettman by letter.

Carlson's letter to Bettman apologizes and states that he wants his discipline public because he wants the council and public "to know that I accept responsibility for my action."



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Carlson, who served as acting manager before Taylor was hired, is one of the most powerful assistant managers the city has ever had and at times has been referred to as Taylor's "co-manager." — *Alan Pittman* 

# OSPREY GROUP SETS RETURN

Consultants from the Colorado-based Osprey Group will be sending out their West Eugene Parkway (WEP) report to the community this week and have set a meeting for 6 to 8 pm Thursday, May 11 at the Lane Events Center Performance Hall at the Fairgrounds on 13th Avenue.

The large community meeting with consultants John Huyler and Dennis Donald will be to discuss the consultants' conflict assessment regarding the proposed WEP. The written assessment is due to arrive in Eugene email boxes this week, and a smaller meeting in anticipation of the larger community meeting will be held at 7 pm this Thursday, May 4 at the EWEB Training Room. Mayor Kitty Piercy will talk about the assessment process and what might happen from this point on. A slide show is also planned on Fender's blue butterfly (see Calendar).

"Our assessment describes the controversy surrounding the proposed West Eugene Parkway, with particular emphasis on what, if any, expanded community involvement might be helpful," said Huyler of the group. He said the assessment will be sent simultaneously to everyone on the e-mail list, which has grown to about 300, and it's not too late to be added to the list. Send a request to list@TheOspreyGroup.com

The consultants met face-to-face with about 60 people when they were in Eugene in early April. "That's more people than is typical," said Huyler. "We specialize in complex conflicts, and we found that the pot is boiling in this one, more dynamically than in some communities, which leads us to talk to more people."

When asked about whether people he talked to really understood the issues, Huyler was diplomatic: "In any community there is a spectrum of sophistication about how the decision-making process occurs, and there is a spectrum of individual decisions on if or how people will intervene."

The consultants have both said that the WEP is "Eugene's conflict" and needs to be resolved as a community, but the Oregon Department of Transportation also plays a major role. Local scientist and environmentalist Mary O'Brien says, "The big thing is whether ODOT is willing to collaborate or try to maintain control of it by limiting the number of collaboration meetings."

O'Brien was on KOPT radio's "Breakfast with Nancy" program Tuesday morning and interviewed a veteran of the collaboration process, Minnesota attorney Howard Lieberman. The attorney was involved in a contentious bridge project over a wild and scenic river in Stillwater, Minn.

"The Minnesota DOT didn't believe in collaboration and were dragged kicking and screaming into the process," said Lieberman. "We began with a group of people who hated each other," he said, but after years of meetings, the collaborative process yielded a com-

promise that saved an historic landmark bridge for foot and bicycle traffic and built an attractive utilitarian bridge in a less environmentally sensitive area. — *Ted Taylor* 

# RIVER MOVES NEAR HOUSE

The McKenzie River has changed course and is bowing out toward an east Springfield area home. If the house falls into the river, it could contaminate Eugene's water supply, which is pumped from the Hayden Bridge facility downstream.

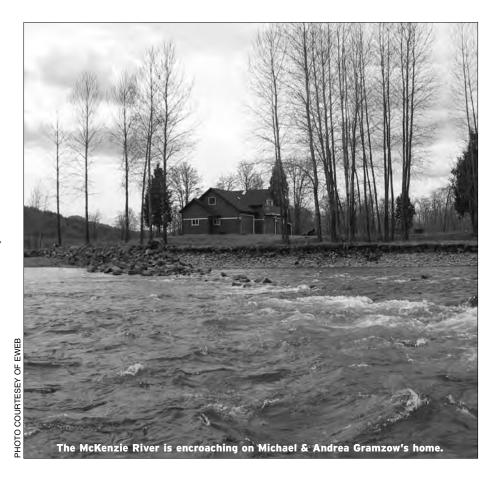
The house, belonging to Michael and Andrea Gramzow, is located several miles

that it's the homeowners' responsibility to get the house out of the river's way.

"We're concerned with potential pollution, but otherwise it's not something that falls within DEQ's parameters," said DEQ spokesperson Jennifer Boudin.

"When houses fall into rivers above our [municipal water] intake, not only do we get debris, but we also get paint, insulation, roof tiles and other things that could possibly contaminate the water," said EWEB Drinking Water Source Protection Coordinator Karl Morgenstern. "It's just a good idea not to let things fall into rivers. But EWEB has no regulatory authority over such matters." He noted that the county regulates home siting.

The Gramzows did not return calls by press time. — Kera Abraham



downstream of another home that was demolished in March 2004 after the river began to erode the soil beneath its foundation. That six-year-old, 3,000 sq. ft. house, belonging to Cindy and Randy Mathews, was originally built 110 feet from the river's high water line. But in 2002 the river changed course and eroded up the bank until it reached the house. Real estate broker John Brown of Eugene organized a donation-funded demolition in order to prevent the house from falling into the river.

Ironically, early attempts to save the Mathews house may have accelerated the river's advancement toward the Gramzow house. The Mathews had placed a length of large rocks (or "riprap") along the river's edge, causing the current to speed up and accelerate the erosion of the bank downstream.

"The river has done some major channel shifts in recent years," said Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife District Fisheries biologist Jeff Ziller. "The shift that it's making right now is lining it up to take out [the Gramzow] house if we have some high water events in the near future. Come next October or November, that's when the risk really increases."

Both the state DEQ and the EWEB agree

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR?

Last fall Eugene citizens voted for an independent police auditor. But after the measure passed, the independence of that auditor function was threatened. City Manager Dennis Taylor, who opposed the creation of an independent auditor, and his lawyers said it would be the manager and not the auditor who would have the authority to hire, fire and supervise the supposedly independent auditor's support staff.

Supporters of an independent auditor feared that could allow the manager to undermine the auditor by controlling the support staff he or she needs to do her work. Last month the manager proposed a solution, retaining "ultimate authority" over the auditor staff but promising to delegate "day to day supervision" of the staff to the auditor through an administrative order.

The solution didn't satisfy Councilor Bonny Bettman, who prefers that the council bind the manager to his promise with a city ordinance or perhaps refer another amendment to the City Charter. "There's no assurance here" with the manager's promise not to



# Endorsements At a Glance

See our April 27 issue for full endorsement text. Ballots must be received by the Lane County Elections Department by 8 pm May 16. In non-partisan local races, any candidate who gets more than 50 percent of the votes cast goes on to be uncontested in the November general election.

**Governor, Democrats.** Pete Sorenson

**Governor**, **Republicans**. No preference

Superintendent of Public Instruction. Susan Castillo

Supreme Court Judge, Position 6. Gene Hallman

Lane County Circuit Court Judge. Alan Leiman or Debra Voot

**Lane County Commissioner, East.** Ron Davis

Lane County Commissioner, West. William Fleenor

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Eugene Councilor, Ward 3. Alan Zelenka

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Rich Cunningham

**EWEB, Wards 4 & 5**. Ron Farmer

Bethel Local Option Levy, 20-109. Yes

# Lane County Herbicide Spray Schedule

opot District 5 roadside nighttime spraying scheduled May 1-4 (8 pm-9 am) on Hwy. 126 W from Eugene to Mapleton; Territorial Road from Veneta to Douglas County line and Veneta to Cheshire; Hwy. 36 from Junction City to Deadwood.

Nighttime spraying scheduled May 8-11 on Hwy. 126 W from Florence to Mapleton; Hwy. 36 from Mapleton to Deadwood; and Hwy. 101. ODOT District 5 IVM Coordinator Dennis Joll: 686-7526; daily spray information: (888) 996-8080. Complaints: Becky Thoreson: (503) 986-4366.

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undermine the auditor's staff. "That's not independent."

Citizens will have an opportunity to weigh in on the independent auditor issue at a council public hearing at 7:30 pm May 8.

– Alan Pittman



# GREEN ROOF UNVEILED

Habitats Inc. has completed Eugene's first permitted residential "green roof," designed as an educational model in alternative stormwater management. The system includes a roof vegetated with native plants, a cistern and gravity-fed irrigation system, bio-swales, a storm surge pond and a drywell. The entire home is disconnected from the city storm sewer; stormwater is retained for garden irrigation. The system will also improve the home's summertime energy efficiency.

South hills homeowner Debbie Olsen decided to install the roof when she realized she would have trouble setting up a stormwater pump for her newly constructed, 2,800 sq. ft. home. Normally, stormwater pipes run from a house's gutter to the curb, and gravity does the pumping. But Olsen's home sits on a hill below the curb, so she would have had to pump stormwater up to the street. The green roof system eliminated that need altogether.

Olsen's manager, Nancy NesSmith, said that Olsen is a supporter of green architecture and liked the idea of reducing stormwater runoff into Amazon Creek. Olsen's home also includes a solar water heater and radiant floor heating.

The roof and related systems cost a total of \$40,000, about half of it paid for by grants from the Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board and EWEB. The Eugene Stream Team, Long Tom Watershed Council and Lane Forest Products contributed materials and support.

"This project in particular is intended to educate people about the possibilities for using a green roof to manage stormwater onsite," said Habitats Inc. principal Aaron Whitney, who designed Olsen's house and roof. Two other buildings in Eugene — the UO Longhouse and a part of the UO Lillis Business Complex — also have green roofs, Whitney said.

On April 29, Olsen and Habitats hosted a grand opening of the roof system. Several city

planners, UO students and professors, and Eugene Mayor Kitty Piercy were among the attendees. — *Kera Abraham* 

# PESTICIDES AT PISGAH

On the heels of the County Commissioners' vote to approve limited herbicide use on public roadsides, Friends of Buford Park (FBP) will propose herbicide use within the Howard Buford Recreation Area/Mt. Pisgah. FBP has not used herbicides in the past.

FBP Restoration Coordinator Jason Blazar declined to offer greater detail about the proposal. "We are working on a control strategy for false brome, but I'm not prepared at this time to disclose the specifics of that plan," he said

Blazar would say only that FBP will employ an "integrated approach" to weed control, including herbicide applications, manual weeding and the use of non-toxic Waipuna Hot Foam. Proposed pesticide applications will comply with Lane County Public Works' "last resort policy," which directs county officials to use a permitted list of pesticides only after other weed control options have been exhausted

In August 2003, the commissioners passed the last resort policy by a 4-0 vote and ordered a moratorium on herbicide use by county road crews until an implementation plan could be created. As a result, the county has not used

herbicides on public roadsides for almost three years.

On April 26, despite objections from about a dozen residents, commissioners approved five brand-name herbicides for road crew use: Oust Extra, Aquamaster, Garlon 3A, Habitat and Milestone. Commissioners Green, Morrison and Stewart voted in favor of the list; Sorenson and Dwyer voted against it.

Northwest Coalition for Alternatives to Pesticides scientist Caroline Cox is disappointed in both the commissioners' vote and FBP's proposal. "Herbicides offer a very shortterm solution to a weed problem, and it usually leads to more herbicides," she said. "Herbicide use doesn't really mesh with most people's idea of what Mt. Pisgah is or should be."

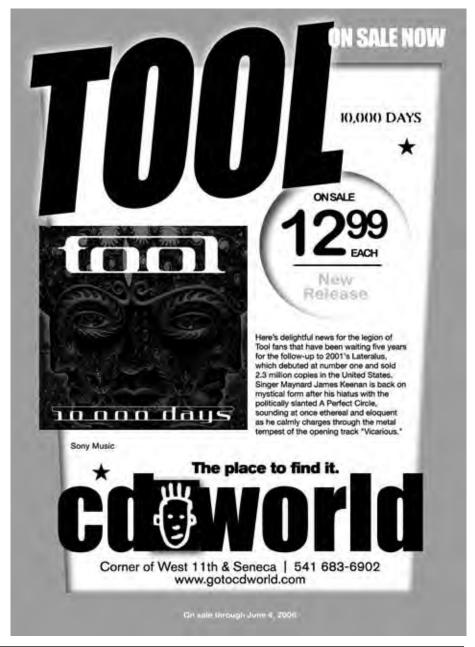
FPB will present its proposal before the Lane County Parks Advisory Committee at 5:30 pm Monday, May 8 at the Public Works building, 3040 N. Delta Hwy..

— Kera Abraham

# CORRECTIONS/ CLARIFICATIONS

Our 4/13 cover story, "The Battle of Biscuit," implied to some that the Biscuit Fire burned in Douglas County. It actually burned in Josephine and Curry counties, though adjacent timber-dependent Douglas County has been most involved in the salvage planning. Additionally, the Kalmiopsis Wilderness was in one place erroneously referred to as the "Klamath Wilderness."







# Zelenka vs. Mullligan

Ward 3 race could tip council to right.



ecisions on whether the city will build a freeway through wetlands, give out tax breaks and parking garages to corporations, reform police and city government and other important issues could hinge on the Ward 3 Eugene City Council race up for a vote May 16.

With the council often split down the middle, the key race pits Bruce Mulligan against Alan Zelenka in the ward surrounding the UO.

Although the two candidates agree on opposing expansion of the urban growth boundary and on many other issues, there are important differences. For example, Mulligan is more supportive of the West Eugene Parkway and corporate tax breaks. Zelenka opposed giving Whole Foods a \$12 million city garage next door while Mulligan supported the subsidy. Zelenka is interested in an independent city performance auditor while Mulligan opposes the idea.

Zelenka was endorsed by environmental groups, progressive councilors and the mayor. Mulligan was endorsed by the Eugene police union.

A third candidate for the ward, Jana Jackson has criticized police reform efforts and opposes many property regulations and taxes, but does not appear to be campaigning as actively.

Mulligan is a human resources consultant who served on the Eugene Budget Committee and county Human Services Commission for the last five years. Zelenka is a manager with the Emerald People's Utility District who earlier served nine years on the Budget Committee and Human Services Commission and was president of the Eugene City Club.

Here's where the two candidates differ on key issues:

### **West Eugene Parkway**

Mulligan has concerns about building the freeway's far western half through the most pristine wetlands, but says he would support a highway in the eastern, more industrial section. The "half a WEP" idea has been proposed before by former Republican Jim Torrey and others, but the idea drew concern from environmentalists who saw it simply as an illegal phasing and segmentation of the eventual construc-

tion of the full highway through the wetlands in order to circumvent environmental regulations.

"I don't know what the federal rules are," admitted Mulligan, although he said the city could lobby for a way around them.

Zelenka said he's not sure if the half a freeway idea would work by itself or just be a prelude to the full freeway through the wetlands. He said people should go look at the wetlands, "packed with wildlife and beautiful plants," that the proposed freeway would destroy. "It's such a special spectacular place, and we really need to preserve it."

### **Police Reform**

Both Mulligan and Zelenka voted for the new independent police auditor but don't object to having the auditor's staff controlled by the city manager. Both support increases in police spending.

Mulligan drew police union support for his staunch stands on the budget committee for increasing the police budget. Last May he was one of only three of the 13 committee members to vote against reducing high entry fees at Amazon Pool, arguing that the money was better spent on more police.

# Mulligan voted against reducing high entry fees at Amazon Pool, arguing that the money was better spent on more police.

Zelenka said the WEP, which has doubled in price, would "bankrupt" funds for other needed road projects and "is nothing like what we voted for." He said alternative transportation and simple traffic light, driveway and access road improvements on West 11th could be used to address traffic issues.

### **Tax Breaks**

Mulligan said he supports full enterprise zone tax breaks for Hynix and other corporations. He said the city needs to compete with Springfield and other cities to attract corporations to increase its tax base. But he acknowledges that the tax breaks he supports can undermine revenues for services. "Are we creating a race to the bottom?" he asks. "Those are legitimate questions."

Zelenka said, "I'm not a real big fan of enterprise zones." He said in most places "they haven't worked very well." But he remained non-committal on how he'd vote if Hynix applied for extensions on its breaks, "I'd have to look at it when it came up."

Zelenka appears to view the idea of competition with Springfield differently. He said he supported putting Triad in Glenwood as a more central location this side of the river. But Mulligan said he viewed Eugene as in competition for the taxes Triad would pay and said he wishes Glenwood were part of Eugene.

Mulligan also voted last year with Budget Committee conservatives to support privatizing firefighter services at the Eugene airport.

Mulligan's biggest campaign contributor is the Eugene police union at \$3,000. Zelenka's is the Eugene firefighters union at \$2,000.

### **Performance Auditor**

Zelenka said the city should look into the creation of an independent city performance auditor to provide a check to see if the city staff are meeting council goals and not wasting money. "I would be real interested in looking at how that might work."

he's concerned the process was too rushed. He said questions about whether the city needs more parking there and other ideas for the money and space were left unanswered.

Both Zelenka and Mulligan said they support city programs to subsidize downtown parking garages and development with urban renewal tax diversions and multiple unit housing tax breaks.

### **Road Fee**

Both Mulligan and Zelenka support a big tax increase for street maintenance. The fee drew fire when it was last proposed for unfairly charging the same amount to rich and poor residences, and for charging the same fee for suburban residences with lots of driving and closer-in households with little car use. Mulligan said the model was fair as proposed, but Zelenka said he'd like to see changes to reflect car use by households.

### City Hall

Both Zelenka and Mulligan are skeptical about city staff's push for a new City Hall building.

Zelenka said if its built it should be a model of environmentally friendly architecture, but he said, "I don't think its one of the highest priorities of the city."

Mulligan said he's interested in ideas to remodel the existing structure. "I don't think the city has made the case yet" for a new building, he said. "If you put it on the ballot today, I think it would be voted down."

### New Ideas

Both Mulligan and Zelenka have new ideas for the city.

Mulligan would like to see the city help create a new federally funded health clinic for poor people and would like the city to purchase the

# Mulligan is more supportive of the West Eugene Parkway and corporate tax breaks.

Mulligan opposes the idea of an independent efficiency auditor, arguing that it's not needed.

### Whole Foods

Mulligan said he would have voted for the controversial, \$12 million Whole Foods garage while Zelenka said he would not have. Mulligan said more discussion and consideration of alternatives would have helped, but the project is a "net positive" for the city.

Zelenka said that while Whole Foods is "a fine corporation" that would help downtown,

120-acre McDougal ridgeline parcel for park land. Mulligan said the local health care crisis is a problem "as big as the potholes in our streets."

Zelenka also supports the clinic idea and the land purchase and said he would like to also create a staffed office and commission on sustainability for the city. He describes Eugene as a "special place" with its beautiful river, smart university people and great neighborhoods. "It grabs hold of you," he said, and "you just want to preserve all that."

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# **Pulmonary Paradox**

Did environmental factors contribute to deaths on Louis Lane?

hree men living on the same street in southwest Eugene developed pulmonary fibrosis within five years of one another. They died in rapid succession between April 2005 and February 2006. All were between 70 and 80 years old. None was a smoker. Was this coincidence? Or could there be a common cause to their symptoms?

"This is an impossible problem," said Grier Starr bluntly, stretched out on a cot in his home, wearing pajamas and wire-rimmed glasses, his feet bare, oxygen tubes in his nose.

Starr, a pathologist and former CEO of the Oregon Medical Labs, spoke with *EW* on Jan. 23, about a month before his death at age 79 from pulmonary fibrosis. His neighbor, former UO professor William Mitchell, 80, had passed away from the same condition two weeks earlier, on Jan. 12. Another neighbor, former UO business professor Kenneth Ramsing, 70, died of the disease on April 27, 2005.

Starr and his wife, Ginny, lived at 2455 S. Louis Lane for 41 years. Mitchell lived next door, at 2450 S. Louis Lane, for 8 years. Ramsing lived at 2280 S. Louis Lane for 33 years. All were diagnosed with pulmonary fibrosis between 2000 and 2003.

Starr, speaking as a pathologist as well as a patient, identified a number of possible causes for his disease, but stressed that he was unable to draw any firm conclusions.

Pesticides. Several orchards and a Christmas tree farm were established on S. Louis Lane around 1909, and pesticides may have been sprayed on them from the 1950s on. While most of the historic orchards have now been developed, some remnants remain. The Starrs had a small orchard in their own backyard, and Grier sprayed them with Agent Seven every spring. He also sprayed Roundup and other herbicides on yard weeds. Starr said he often sprayed with Ramsing, who was his close friend. "It would blow from the sprayer across our faces." Starr recalled. It's unclear whether the third pulmonary fibrosis victim, Mitchell, was regularly exposed to pesticides. Mitchell's sister, Jeanine Watts of Iron River, Mich., said that he didn't do much yard work.

Arsenic. Well testing around S. Louis Lane reveals a high concentration of naturally occurring arsenic. In 1974, Starr and others did a study which concluded that that a "hockey-stick-shaped piece of land" in southwest Eugene, including most of S. Louis Lane and Twin Oaks Elementary School, is contaminated by sulphurous arsenic, which has been linked with skin cancer. Starr's study found higher-than-usual instances of melanoma within the contaminated region. The Starrs drank well water for about six years before hooking up to the municipal water system in 1965, but both Mitchell and

Ramsing's homes were already connected to city water by the time they moved in. HealthUSA.com links pulmonary fibrosis with arsenic exposure, but pulmonary fibrosis experts Dr. Norman Edelman of the American Lung Association and Dr. Ganesh Raghu of the University of Washington Medical Center said they know of no such link.

**Moldy hay.** Starr raised horses and cattle for about 35 years, frequently breathing in the dust from moldy hay. According to Dr. Edelman, some people are al-

lergic to certain proteins in moldy hay, which may cause a form of pneumonia that can progress to pulmonary fibrosis. Local allergist Craig Jacobson, who worked with Starr to investigate the link between moldy hay and pulmonary fibrosis, said that perhaps a site-specific kind of mold — one more likely to cause the disease — grows on the hay in southwest Eugene. "But the other men [Mitchell and Ramsing] weren't necessarily exposed to that," Jacobson pointed out. Ramsing may have handled hay infrequently for garden mulching, according to his son, Stuart Ramsing of Eugene. But Mitchell hasn't handled hav since he lived on his family's farm as a youth, said Mitchell's sister Watts.

**Welding.** Both Starr and Ramsing did some art welding as a hobby. According to Dr.

Edelman, silica dust from welding has been linked with pulmonary fibrosis. But Mitchell didn't do any welding, Watts said.

Air pollution. The Hynix semiconductor plant at 1830 Willow Creek Circle is just down the road from S. Louis Lane. Although the factory emits more than 50 toxic chemicals annually, none of its listed emissions have been linked to pulmonary fibrosis. According to LRAPA Public Affairs Officer Sally Markos, other industrial air pollution sources in the area include the Western Structure laminated beam plant, Rexius Forest By-Products, a crematorium, a cabinet-makers' workshop and a coffee roaster. Because LRAPA does not maintain emissions inventories for those industries, Markos could not provide greater detail about their specific emissions.



**Ginny and Grier Starr** 

"I have identified to you a significant number of possible sources for products that some individuals could be immunologically responsive to," Starr said, in typical pathologists' language. "I am indicating to you a tremendous number of ideologies for this particular disease."

Pulmonary fibrosis is characterized by the production of a fibrous tissue that replaces the air spaces between a patient's lungs. Starr was diagnosed with idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis, which means that its causes are unknown. Pulmonary fibrosis can be mild, and some patients can live with the conditions for decades, but there is no cure other than a lung transplant, Dr. Edelman explained.

Dr. Edelman said that while pulmonary fibrosis may be linked with air pollution, weld-

ing fumes and moldy hay, he is not aware of such links with arsenic or pesticide exposure. Still, he wouldn't rule out the possibilities. "The list of causes of pulmonary fibrosis is very long. More often than not, doctors cannot assign a cause," he said. "Having three [cases] on one block is a little unusual, but I'm sure statisticians will tell you it's well within the realms of chance."

Dr. Raghu, like Dr. Edelman, stressed that doctors are unable to pinpoint any specific environmental factors causing idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis. That said, he acknowledged that pesticides, moldy hay, welding fumes and air pollution may all contribute to symptoms of the disease. "Respiratory symptoms are so non-specific," he said. "Any potential irritants in the environment that people inhale could potentially cause the symptoms."

Despite his caution to not draw overbroad or alarming conclusions, Raghu said that the fact that three non-smoking neighbors all died of pulmonary fibrosis does merit follow-up. "Three people on the same street — that is a very interesting, intriguing coincidence," he said. "That means that there are environmental factors that should be looked into, or at least associations that are worth exploring."

In fall 2000, the Starrs moved off S. Louis Lane and into east Eugene. During *EW*'s interview with Starr in January, he was weak but cogent and extremely pragmatic.

"Number one, I accept the science," he said slowly. "I come from a religious family, and I accept a certain inevitability of what is happening. My main concern is that I go through the process without an extreme amount of pain."

When Starr passed away in late February, the community remembered him as a brilliant pathologist, an ardent lover of horses and family and a good friend. But the question of what gave him, Ramsing and Mitchell pulmonary fibrosis remains unanswered.

"There's a lot of intrigue and mystery here regarding what might have happened on Louis Lane," said Jacobson, the allergist. "We can conjecture about a lot of things, but there are certainly no firm conclusions that we can draw. Starr, an exceptionally brilliant person with access to all sorts of information, was searching [for the cause of his disease], but he was frustrated that we didn't come up with an answer."





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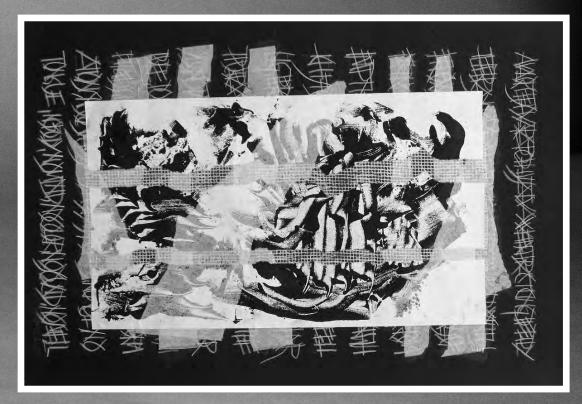
tion of the wetlands, Fender's blue butterfly and protecting critical habitat in West Eugene brings out all of the swamp luminaries: Mayor Kitty Piercy, Mary O'Brien, Ethen Perkins and others. See Thursday, May 4 Calendar.

Guitars and Mozart! Yes! **Sharon Isbin** performs a bunch o' times this weekend, both solo and with the Oregon Mozart Players in their "Viva España!" celebrations. We bet you already know the super-ness of the Mozart Players, but do you know this woman with the guitar? You should. She's won a zillion international competitions, and her talent, those in the know say, is on the Yo-Yo Ma level. That kind of string power you *really* don't want to miss ... and you don't have to. See Calendar.

You passed on *The Incredibly True Adventures of 2* Girls in Love when it was on sale in the DVD bin, didn't you? Well, the ASUO Women's Center is here to show you the big screen sweet tale of, um, you know who in you know what, at the **Queer Women's Expository Entertainment Film Festival**. The festival has it all. From *The Best of Lesbian Shorts* (cargo shorts are the nicest, we think, but then we like butch women) to the animated "Queermation" selections, f+f films run incredibly free and sometimes true for the entire glorious weekend. See Calendar.

iMíren el arte! Finalmente, May's First Friday

ARTWalk arrives in both English and español, which
is reason enough to celebrate. Miriam Jordan, special events manager at the Jordan Schnitzer Museum of Art,
leads the tour, which begins at 5:30 on the second floor of the Biblioteca Céntrica. La primera parada será ... OK,
OK, we'll write it in English ... the first stop is the Downtown Library, where Jordan will discuss the "Show Me the
West Eugene Wetlands" photo exhibit. Stop #2 is M.E.C.C.A., showing cool art made by students from recycled (or
is that reused?) materials. DIVA, stop #3, hosts a variety of artists, including Ken O'Connell, Group 669, Jean
Denis Martin Sage and Tina Schrager, whose work is nictured below. Live music accompanies a mini-APTFest at Denis, Martin Sage and Tina Schrager, whose work is pictured below. Live music accompanies a mini-ARTFest at stop #4, 126 W. Broadway, where local artists have work on display and Randy Larson performs, and stop #5 includes a little cha cha cha – or, to be more precise, a little lesson in the art of tango at the Tango Center. As always, other galleries and shops downtown are open late but not part of the walk. See Friday Calendar.





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ARTS/VISUAL Lonely Pot and Glass Sale, 10am-4pm, Craft Center, EMU, UO. Glass blowing demonstrations 11am Thursdays through May 25. 346-4631.

BENEFIT Crown Jewel Celebration, a fund-raiser for Willamette Repertory Theatre, with dinner, drawings, door prizes, entertainment, 6pm, Eugene Hilton. 343-9903. \$125.

FILM Queer Women's Expository Entertainment Film Festival opening gala, 6:30pm, Gerlinger Lounge, UO. FREE.

GATHERINGS Women's Business Network meeting featur ing member profiles, networking and buffet lunch, 11:45am, Eugene Hilton. Reservations at 984-8778. \$15, \$12 members.

An evening in celebration of the wetlands, Fender's Blue Butterfly and protecting critical habitat in West Eugene, with Mayor Kitty Piercy, Mary O'Brien, Ethen Perkins and others, 7pm, EWEB. Rob. 689-6372, FREE.

Eugene Bonsai Club meeting, bonsai creation demonstration by members, 7pm, Eugene Garden Club. 686-6153. FRFF.

LITERARY ARTS Lucille Clifton speaks on "Circling Home: Stories and Sustainable Communities" as the keynote event for LCC's Reading Together project, with reading and Q&A, 10am, Performance Hall, LCC. Ellen, 463-3660. FREE.

Informal discussion and Q&A with Lucille Clifton, 2:30pm, 104 Center for Meeting and Learning, LCC. Ellen, 463-3660, FREE,

Marc Acito speaks on "Laughing Matters: How to Be Funny Even if You're Not," 6:30pm, Baker Building, 975 High. \$5-\$10 sug. don.; Willamette Writers members free.

Arnaud Maitland reads and discusses Living Without Regret: Growing Old in the Light of Tibetan Buddhism, 7 pm, Knight Library, UO. FREE.

10th anniversary celebration for helicoptero, a local bilingual literary arts journal, with Paul Dresman, Jesus Sepulveda and others, 7:30pm, Tsunami Books, FREE.

MUSIC Sharon Isbin, 8pm, Beall

Drew Rouse and the Gathering, 8pm, Cozmic Pizza, \$4.

2nd Annual Cristofori Birthday

concert with Edwin Good, fortepiano. 8pm. Central Lutheran Church. \$10, \$5 stu.

New Monsoon, Aphrodesia, 9pm, WOW Hall. \$10 adv., \$12 dos.

Oakhurst, Zebra Junction, 9pm, Sam Bond's Garage. 21+ show. \$3.

ON THE AIR "Breakfast with Nancy" features Mayor Kitty Piercy, Lane County Commissioner Anna Morrison Congressman Peter DeFazio, 6am, KOPT 1600 AM.

"New Dimensions" features "Evolutionary Spirituality" with Connie Barlow & Michael Dowd, 6:30pm, KLCC 89.7 FM.

Interviews with Eugene City Council Ward 3 and Oregon Sen. candidates, 6pm; Interviews with Lane County assessor and Springfield City Council candi-dates, 7pm, Ch. 29.

OUTDOORS/RECREATION Map & compass use, 7pm clinic, 9am field day May 9, UO Outdoor

Program Barn. 346-3730. FREE. Smith Rock clean up pre-trip meeting, 5:30pm, Outdoor Program, UO. Trip is 8am May 6. FREE.

SPIRITUAL John Maxwell Taylor shares his spiritual and pro-fessional odyssey through music and joyful entertainment, 7pm. Unity of the Valley. 345-9913. Don.

THEATER Benches-The Musical, 7:30pm tonight, tomorrow and May 6 and 11-13, Springfield High School. \$8, \$5 stu., sr.

The Baltimore Waltz, 8pm tonight. tomorrow and May 6, Arena Theatre, UO. 346-4363. \$6, \$5 stu., sr., \$4 UO stu.

Much Ado About Nothina, 8pm tonight, tomorrow and May 6, Blue

Door Theatre, LCC. 463-5761. \$10, \$8 stu., sr.



Sunrise 5:59am; Sunset 8:21pm Av High 65; Av Low 41

ARTS/VISUAL 3pm art openings include Stephen Bennett, hand woven rugs, Of Grape and Grain. 5pm art openings include "Calligraphs," recent work by Tina Schrager, DIVA. 6pm art openings include "Terminal 12," an MFA exhibit. Jordan Schnitzer Museum of Art: "Show Me the West Eugene Wetlands" photo exhibit, Downtown Library: "Paintings of Death and the After After," Horsehead Bar. 6:30pm art openings include Joey Edward and Steve Newman, Downtown Lounge. FREE.

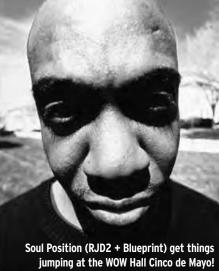
Lane Arts Council First Friday ARTWalk, in English and Spanish, with host Miriam Jordan, special events manager at Jordan Schnitzer Museum of Art, 5:30pm, beginning at 2nd floor of Eugene Public Library. See page 15 or lanearts.org for stop details. FREE.

Queer Women's Expository Entertainment Film Festival, The Incredibly True Adventures of 2 Girls in Love, 1:30pm, Women's Center, EMU, UO; Unveiled, 6pm. The Best of Lesbian Shorts, 8pm. Cosa Bella, 10pm; Who's the Top?, 10:30pm, 180 PLC. UO FREE

GATHERINGS 11th Annual Environmental Justice Conference today and tommorrow: today's schedule includes 7pm keynote address by Keala Kelly, Gerlinger Lounge, UO. Samantha, 543-1253, FREE.

Helios Resource Network, Green Drinks Friday, Cinco de Mayo celebration, 4pm, World Café, FREE,





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HIV testing, Ipm:3pm Thursdays & Tuesdays, Lane County Public Health. 682-4041. \$30 fee, can be deferred.

Bi and Beyond group meeting, 6pm, Suite 34, EMU, UO. Eugene Chess Club meeting, 7pm, Vet's Club. 485-5471.

Urine Therapy Information Hour, 7pm through May, Community Room, 1641 W. Broadway

enspace LGBT drop-in/support group, 7:30pm. 302-2417.

KIDS Baby storytime, 10:15am & 11am, Downtown Library. 682-8316. Pre-school storytime, 10:30am, Bethel & Sheldon Libraries. 682-8316. **LITERARY ARTS** Science of Spirituality book group meeting, 7pm second and fourth Thursdays, Borders Books.

MUSIC The Lunch Crowd with DirtyMac, 10am daily, Emerald City Coffee House, 347 W. 5th Ave.
All Acoustic Music Jam, 10:30-noon, Campbell Community Center. 682-5318. 25 cents.

Piano Club, play or listen, almost any day, Eugene Hilton, Michael, 687-4647.

ON THE AIR "A Passion for Acting," host Tom Reitman interviews Eugene's great actors, 10pm, Community TV Ch. 29.

OUTDOORS/RECREATION Eugene Women's Rugby Club practice, no exp. necessary, 6pm, Alton Baker Park. 338-0238.

VOLUNTEER Help out at the Delta Ponds Enhancement Project, 1pm, Delta Ponds. 913-1292.

ARTS/VISUAL Open studio, bring projects and ideas to work on, 11am-4pm Fridays, Saturdays and Wednesdays, Applegate Art Gallery, West Lane Center, Veneta. 935-4286.

GATHERINGS Queer Straight Alliance of LCC meetings, 1pm Fridays and 3pm Tuesdays, 222 Building 1, LCC. 463-3245.
GLBTQ Youth Group for ages 13-18, 4pm-6pm, Amazon Community

Center. 004 3400. Lesbian & Dyke Night, 6pm, The Q Center, 1309 Lincoln. 762-1046. Friday Night Dance for beginner level dancers, dance shoes required, 8:30pm, StaverDanceSport, 41 E. 6th Ave. \$7.

KIDS Pre-school storytime, 10:30am, Bethel Library, 682-5766.

ON THE AIR Informed Talk, Eugene/Springfield community dialogue, 4pm, KWVA 88.1 FM.

SPIRITUAL Free Reign, party in the name of Jesus with live local bands and speakers, 8pm, Centennial Christian Center, Spfd. freereign@juno.com VOLUNTEER Construct raised beds, sow seeds, learn propagation and more, 2pm, Alton Baker Park Native Plant Nursery. 913-1292.

GATHERING Co-Dependents Anonymous Serenity Meeting, noon,

Saturday Night Dance for all-level dancers, dance shoes required, 8:30pm, StaverDanceSport, 41 E. 6th Ave. \$7.

KIDS Trillium Pregnancy & Family Resources "Walking With Bellies," 10am, meet at Owen's Rose Gardens. 579-0670.

Family Music Time, 10:15am, Downtown Library & Bethel Library (Spanish/English), 682-8316.

Planetarium viewings, Saturdays and Sundays: "Up in the Sky," 1pm; "It's Not Your Grandma's Solar System," 2pm, Science Factory. \$4.

OUTDOORS/RECREATION Bicycle polo, balls and mallets provided, 2pm-5pm, River Bicycle Path between River House and Owen Rose Garden. bikepolo@gentlewave.com
Northwest Association for Adult Competitive Kickball games, 2pm Saturdays

and Sundays, Skinner Butte Park. www.myspace.com/eugene\_nwaack

**VOLUNTEER** Help pull English ivy from Eastgate Woodlands and Greenway, 9am-noon first and third Saturdays, meet at the boat ramp Greenway, 9am-noon fir off Aspen St. 736-4048.

ON THE AIR "The Sunday Morning Hangover" with Reverend Marc Time, exotica, lounge, novelty, outside music, stupid songs and bizarre children's music, 8am, KWVA 88.1 FM. www.kwvaradio.org

OUTDOORS/RECREATION GLBT tennis group, noon, Polk Street

SPIRITUAL Sunday services including meditation, chanting and a talk on a Buddhist topic by priest Ejo McMullen, 9am, Eugene Zendo. 302-4576. FREE. Chenrezig (Bodhisattva of Compassion) practice, 10am, Nyen-Gyud Samten Choe-Ling Tibetan Buddhist Study and Meditation Center.

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Sunday devotional service, 10am; adults and children's enrichment programs, 10:30am, Eugene Baha'i Center. 344-3173.

Center, 2895 Oak St.

Way of the Tao Drum Medicine Wheel, 7pm second and fourth Sundays, Yurt, 2826 Floral Hill. 915-5723. Donation.

ARTS/VISUAL MuseArt Drawing Group, draw local musicians, 6:30pm, World Café. 543-9704. \$5 don.

6:30pm, World Café. 543-9704. \$5 don. **GATHERINGS** Co-Dependents Anonymous meeting, "CoDA for Lunch," noon, St. Mary's Episcopal Church.

HIV testing for the general public, 4pm-7pm, HIV Alliance. 342-5088.

Monday Frenzy, get resources, have conversations and listen to music, 5pm-9pm, The O Center, 1309 Lincoln. www.qcenter.org

Gay Men's Night, 6pm; "Queer as Folk," one episode each Monday, 8pm, The Q Center, 1309 Lincoln. www.qcenter.org Men's gay/straight AA, 6pm, 1414 Kincaid. Hank, 484-6259. UO juggling club, 6pm, B-50 Gerlinger. 346-4436. \$1, students free.

**ON THE AIR** Amy Goodman's Democracy NOW!, 7am M-F, KWVA 88.1 FM and 5pm M-F, CTV Channel 29. Inform Radio, progressive news and community affairs, 6:30pm, KWVA 88.1 FM.

"Blood on the Saddle," country & western favorites with the Kranky Kowboy, 7pm, KWVA 88.1 FM. Request line: 346-0645.

SPIRITUAL Heal Your Body, breathing, meditation, stretching, 4pm, 2580 Hilyard. 461-7789. \$5 don. Medicine Wheel Prayer Circle, 6pm, 459 N. 8th, Cottage Grove. Sofia,

Women's bible studies, 6:30pm, Testimonies Coffee House & Bookstore. 935-0858. Men's bible studies, 6:30pm. 915-1351.

"Reflections on the Life of the Spirit" study circle, 6:30pm, Baha'i

VIGIL "Women in Black Standing for Peace," 5pm-5:30pm, 7th Avenue & Pearl St. Center, 344-7899.

**PLEASE NOTE:** The ongoing calendar, like the regular *EW* calendar, does not list classes or workshops. If you feel your event has been dropped in error, please contact the calendar editor at cal@eugeneweekly.com

NOTE: Ongoing weekly events are listed at the beginning of each month. Events that happen more than once a week are listed under the first day they take place. All are free of charge unless otherwise noted.

**ARTS/VISUAL** Open studio, bring projects and ideas to work on, 11am-4pm, Applegate Art Gallery, Veneta. 935-4286.

4pm, Applegate Art Gallery, veneta. 935-4266. **GATHERINGS** Gay/queer/trans/bisexual men's HIV testing night, 5pm-8pm, HIV Alliance. 342-5088

Coffee Social, 7pm, The Q Center, 1309 Lincoln. 762-1046.

Food Addicts Anonymous meeting, 7pm, Westside Christian Church www.foodaddictsanonymous.org

Medicine Buffalo Women Society discussion, 7pm, Eugene Evangelical Church. Katrina jam and potluck, social and music jam with Hurricane Katrina folks and friends, 8pm, 366 Clark St. 684-9656. KIDS Toddler storytime, 10am, Barnes and Noble. 687-0356

Toddler storytime, 10:15am & 11am, Downtown Library. 682-8316.

ON THE AIR "Anarchy Radio" with John Zerzan, 9pm, KWVA 88.1 FM

**SPIRITUAL** Open Sky Shambhala Meditation group, 7pm, 100 West Q Street, Spfld. 726-1988. Truth For Today study, 7pm, Harlow Lodge. 915-1351.

VIGIL "Practicing Being Peace," silent meditation, 8:15am-8:45am,

Federal Building.

VOLUNTEER Weed, prune, mulch and plant in the Rhododendron Garden, 9am, Hendricks Park. 682-5324.

Learn about native plants while helping with upkeep and maintenance, 2pm, Stream Team Native Plant Nurseries. 913-1292.

Wednesdays
GATHERINGS "Open Hall," visit and tour the Jaqua Concert Hall, noon, tours at 1pm, The Shedd Institute, 868 High. 687-6526. Queer friendly writers group, 4pm, Suite 34, EMU, UO. Contact improvisation jam, 5:30pm, Agate Hall. 343-2913.

Co-Dependents Anonymous Women's Open Step Study meeting, 5:30pm, St. Thomas Episcopal Church.

Gmes Social, 6pm, The Q Center, 1309 Lincoln. 762-1046. HIV-Poz social and support group, 6pm, HIV Alliance. Jonathan, 342-5088

Hemp Cannabis meeting, 6:30pm, Community TV Station, behind Sheldon High School

Fun, real-life practice using Nonviolent Communication's "Langugae of Compassion," 7pm, call 484-7366 for location and information. Sug. don. Chess Knight, informal, open play for all ages and skill levels, 7pm-9pm, River Road Parks, 1400 Lake Dr.

Rapid HIV tests for gay/bi/queer/trans men, afternoons, Lane County Public Health. Greg, 682-3959, or Michael, 342-5088 for an appointment KIDS Trillium Pregnancy & Family Resources "Walking With Strollers,"

10am, meet at Owen's Rose Gardens. 579-0670.

Pre-school storytime for ages 3-6 and lapsit storytime for up to age 3, 10am, Springfield Library.
Pre-school storytime, 10:15am & 11am, Downtown Library. 682-8316. Old favorites and new releases on the picture book wall, 7pm, Barnes and Noble. 687-0356.

Center. www.ngscl.org Eckhart Tolle Power of Now Practicing Presence group meeting, 10am, Unity of the Valley Church; 7pm, 2869 Adams. Blanche, 344-6606.

Kirtan with Jaya Lakshmi and friends, community gathering for prayer and meditation, 7pm, Dharmalaya. 342-7621. \$5-\$10 sug. don.
Reiki treatments, all day, Campbell Senior Center. Make appointment at

682-5318. Donation VIGIL Faith in Action and Progressive Responses Peace Vigil, 4:30pm-5:30pm, Federal Building.

# calendar

City Club: "Making it Count: Election Reform and Integrity," with Secretary of State Bill Bradbury, 11:50am, Downtown Athletic Club. \$3, members free.

Pacifica Forum: "Israel and the USS Liberty: I," 4pm, 123 McKenzie, UO. 344-0483. FREE.

**KIDS** Half Day of Art: Paper bag pinatas and chili pepper pots, noon, Applegate Elementary. Register at 767-0143. \$16.

Tot Science Discovery Day: Transportation, 10am, Science Factory. \$10 per parent/child combo; members free.

Pajamarama storytime: *Peter Rabbit* video, 7pm, Barnes & Noble. FREE.

**LECTURES** "Soothing Odors: Cultural and Material Evidence for the Use of Perfume and Incense in Ancient Israel," Deborah Green, noon, 159 PLC, UO. FREE.

"Transforming the Chinese Economy: The Making of a High Tech Competitor," Richard P. Suttmeier, noon, 212 Lillis, UO. FREE.

"The Unfattening of America's Families: Can We Get There from Here?," Dr. David Katz, noon, Hult Center. FREE.

Demonstration of North Indian classical vocal and instrumental music, Gundecha Brothers, 1:15pm, EMU, UO. FREE.

**MUSIC** Sharon Isbin, master class, 3pm, 302 Gerlinger, UO.

Tom's Kitchen, 6:45pm, Downtown Library. FREE.

Ben Darwish Trio, 9pm, Jo Federigo's. 21+ show. \$5.

Christofori Consort performs work by C.P.E. Bach, 8pm, Central Lutheran Church. \$10, \$5 stu.

Gundecha Brothers: Classical Music of North India, 8pm, Beall Hall, UO. \$10, \$8 stu.

Nik Fury (CD release), 8pm, Centennial Christian Center, 1020 Janus St., Springfield. FREE.

Trillian Green, 8pm, Cozmic Pizza.

Soul Position (Blueprint & RJD2), One Be Lo, Animal Farm, 9pm, WOW Hall. \$13 adv., \$15 dos.

Stephan Mockli and the Coffee Companion, 6pm, Our Daily Bread, Veneta 338-8101

ON THE AIR "Breakfast with Nancy" features Suzanne Braun Levine, author of *Reinventing the Rest of Our Lives*, and county commissioner candidate Bill Fleenor, 6am, KOPT 1600 AM.

"The Jefferson Exchange" discusses ideas and resources for creating healthy organizations with Meadow Barr and Nancy Swift,

executive director of the Jefferson Economic Development Institute, 8am and 8pm, KRVM 1280 AM.

Interviews with Oregon representative and Lane County commissioner candidates, 1am and 11am; interviews with assessor and Springfield City Council candidates, 6pm, Ch. 29.

**THEATER** The Full Monty 8pm tonight. tomorrow, May 12 & 13, 19 &20, 26 & 27; 2pm May 14, Actors Cabaret of Eugene. \$14-17.

Once Upon a Mattress, 7:30pm tonight, tomorrow and May 11-13, Thurston High School. \$7, \$5 stu., sen. Benches—The Musical continues.

See Thursday, May 4.

Much Ado About Nothing continues. See Thursday, May 4.

The Baltimore Waltz continues. See Thursday, May 4.



Sunrise 5:57am; Sunset 8:22pm Av High 65; Av Low 41

ARTS/VISUAL Oregon Crafted open studio weekend, artist studios in Lane, Linn, Lincoln and Benton Counties will be open for visitors, 10am-4pm, various locations. Oregon Crafted guidebook required. www.oregoncrafted.org

**BENEFITS** Festival of Fairies, a benefit for The Arc of Lane County with storytelling, crafts, music, Mystic Market, 10am-5pm today and tomorrow, Lane County

Fairgrounds. 343-5256. \$8 adults, \$6 kids.

May Faire, a benefit for the Eugene Waldorf School, with May Pole Dance, food, music, crafts and eurythmy performances, 11am-4pm, Eugene Waldorf School. 683-6951.

Vineyards & Violins, a benefit for Willamalane Adult Activity Center with wine tasting, hors d'oeuvres, and silent auction, 5:30pm, Willamalane Adult Activity Center, Spfd. \$12 adv., \$15 dos.

Youth Triathlon, benefit for Eugene City Swim Club and Courageous Kids, 1pm, Sheldon Pool. Register at 682-5314. \$20.

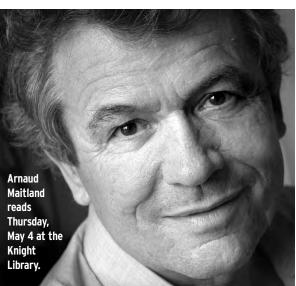
2nd Annual Benefit sale for Sheldon Life Skills program and Haitian Sustainable Development Foundation Education Fund, 9am-3pm, Sheldon High School. 517-3274.

**DANCE** Pink Martini and the Eugene Ballet Company, 8pm today and 2:30pm tomorrow, Hult Center. \$20-47.

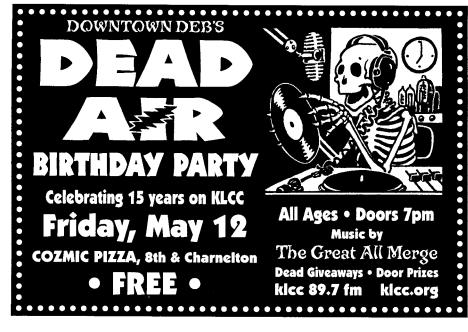
**FILM** Queer Women's Expository Entertainment Film Festival, Homoteens Cinema (three short films), 3pm; Queermation (six films); *GYPO*, 6pm; *She's Safe*, 8pm; *Hearts Cracked Open*, 9pm, 180 PLC, UO. FREE.

Reproductive Justice Film Festival: Rosila, The Abortions Diaries and "Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness," 6:30pm, DIVA. \$5 adv., \$7 dos.

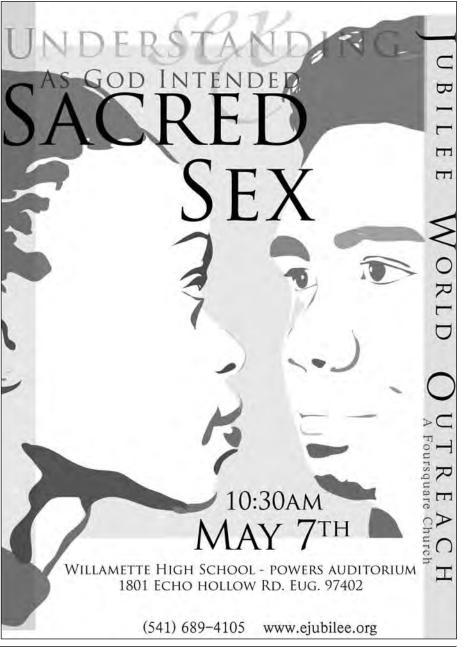
**GATHERINGS** Saturday Market, 10am-5pm, with entertainment from Jim Hershey, 10am; Edison School Choir, 11am; David Rogers, noon; Kristen Chandler & Michael Zimmerman, 1pm; Adam +











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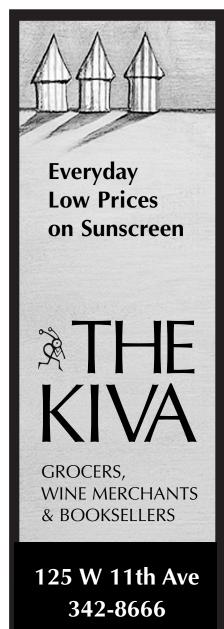
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Kris, 2pm; Accordion-oke with Queen Accordiana, 3:30pm, Park Blocks, 8th & Oak. FREE.

17th Annual Identification Day; bring an item and join museum staff/specialists to learn more about it, with demonstrations, papermaking, basket twining. 1pm, Museum of Natural History, UO, 346-3024. \$3, \$5 fam., members free.

6th Annual Global Marijuana March, 2pm, Federal Building. FREE.

Campaign canvas for county commissioner candidate Bill Fleenor, 11am. 344-9999 or www.busproject.org for location.

Aviation careers for women open house, 10:30am-noon, Aviation Academy Flight Technology Ccenter, LCC. FREE.

Eugene Rhododendron Society Spring show, 10am-5pm today and tomorrow, Oakway Center. Jack, 988-9133. FREE.

11th Annual Cottage Grove Home and Garden Show, 10am-8pm today and 10am-6pm tomorrow, Cottage Grove High School. FREE. Knitting circle, 1pm, Mother Kali's.

Rainbow River Womyn, 5pm, McMenamin's North Bank. Sue 741-1210. FREE.

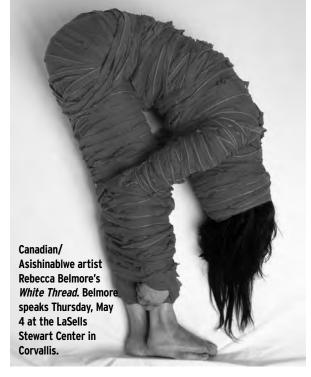
Emerald City Cage Fights 3, 7pm, McDonald Theatre. \$20 adv.,

11th Annual Environmental Justice Conference continues; today's schedule includes keynote speeches by Hari Osofsky, 1pm, and LaDanna Williams, 7:30pm, 110 Willamette, UO, See Friday,

**KIDS** Astronomy Day, noon-4pm, Science Factory. \$4, members free.

Costume character Peter Rabbit visits storytime, 11am, Barnes & Noble. FREE.

LECTURE "Natural Medicines," Dr. Harriet Hall, 7pm, EWEB. FREE.



MUSIC Bach Remix with DJ Smuve, DJ Sharif and DV8, 3:30pm, Oakway Center. FREE.

Viva Espana!, Oregon Mozart Players with Sharon Isbin, 8pm today, Hult Center, and 2:30pm tomorrow, Beall Hall, UO. \$16-28.

Guy Clark, 7:30pm, Jaqua Concert Hall. 434-7000. \$19-27.

McKenzie Stubbert release/reception), 2:30pm, The Living Room at the Shedd. FREE. Mark Fisher, 2pm, 198 Music, UO.

Atrium Amateur Hour: Alder Street Wind Quartet, 2pm, Atrium, 10th & Olive. 344-0483. FREE.

Los Mex Pistols del Norte, Beowulf Tone Poem, 10pm, Wetlands, \$3. 21+ show.

Vagabond Opera (CD release), 9pm, Jo Federigo's. 21+ show. \$7.

KWVA birthday party with Caro, Strategy and Solenoid, 9:30pm, Indigo District. 21+ show. \$2.

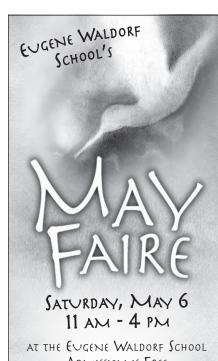
Tent party with Reeble Jar, 8:30pm, El Torito. \$5.

Grand opening of Park Street Café with Melanie Rios, Rob Tobias and Friends; community sing-a-long and more, 4:59pm-10:31pm, Park Street Café, 776 W. Park, 485-

ON THE AIR Interviews with Eugene City Council Ward 3 and Oregon sen. candidates, 1am and 1pm, Ch. 29.

"Jivin' Johnny's Classics" features Hank Snow, 9am, KRVM 91.9 FM.

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plant sale, 10am-1pm, Mount Pisgah Native Plant Nursery. 344-8350. FREE.

Birding in the Field with Rick Ahrens, 8am, Mount Pisgah Arboretum Visitor Center, 747-1504. Register at 747-1504. \$15.

Tree walk in the Chase Neighborhood with Alby Thoumsin of the Eugene Tree Foundation 1pm, meet at corner of Chevy Chase and Boardwalk Ave. Don.

Smith Rock Clean-up, 8am, meet at Outdoor Program Barn, UO. Register at 346-4365. FREE; \$10 van fee.

GEARs rides: Pleasant Hill. 45 miles, 9am; Pleasant Hill, 40 miles, 9:30am, meet at Alton Baker Park; Pleasant Hill from Creswell, 10am, meet at Ray's Market in Creswell. www.eugenegears.org

Obsidians trips: Fairgrounds to Crow, bike, 35 miles; North Fork Willamette, 5.6 miles; Opal Creek, 7.1 miles. See YMCA board for details.

SPIRITUAL Amitabha Empowerment with the Venerable Lama Tsang Tsing, 2pm, Kagyu Dakshang Chuling Dharma Center, 485-3961. \$20.

Awaken, Arise! An Evening of Song and Celebration with Hanna Tiferet, 8pm, Temple Beth Israel. \$8-15 sug.don.

THEATER Musical continues. See Thursday, May 4.

The Baltimore Waltz continues. See Thursday, May 4.

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SUNDAY

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ARTS/VISUAL Oregon Crafted open studio weekend continues. See Saturday.

BENEFITS 26th Annual Triangle Lake Booster Club Barbecue and Auction for Triangle Lake School athletic programs, noon, School. 925-3262 Triangle Lake

Transplanting the Blues, benefit for Team Northwest to attend 2006 Transplant Games in Louisville, with Eagle Park Slim & His All-Star Blues Band, I-Chele and the Circle of Light, Allison Zopel and Carl Faddis, 5pm, Cozmic Pizza, \$10 adv., \$12 dos.

Festival of Fairies continues. See

DANCE Pink Martini and the Eugene Ballet Company continues. See Saturday.

**FILM** Queer Expository Entertainment Film Festival, *The Lost Tribe*, 3pm; *The Journey*, 4pm; *My Mother Likes Women*, 6pm, 180 PLC, UO. FREE.

**GATHERINGS** University Student Fiber Guild spinning seminar, 1pm, Ben Linder Room, EMU, UO FREE

Open house and tour, 2pm, Aprovecho Research Center,

Cottage Grove. 942-8198 or www.aprovecho.net. \$5 sug. don.

Full Circle Community Farm open house with tours and info about CSAs, organic agriculture and farmland preservation, 10amnoon, across the street from 1225 E. Beacon, Santa Clara. Kate, 461-3798. FREE.

"Meet the Skinners," 2pm, Eugene Garden Club. 682-4242

Open house at the Morse Ranch with local history, tours, entertainment and refreshments, 1pm-4pm, Morse Ranch Park. FREE

Family Values potluck, open to all who support & want to have fun with LGBTQ/queer families, 1pm, Friendly Park. Katie, 485-9953. FREE.

Rainbow Family monthly potluck 2pm, Charnel Mulligan Park (17th & Charnelton). Bring food and juice to share, eating utensils, musical instruments. FREE.

Food Not Bombs serves meals 3pm-5pm, near deer mural at Washington Jefferson Park. FREE.

Potluck in the Park, Alpha Phi Omega with FOOD for Lane County serves free meals and bags of non-perishable food, 1pm-4pm. Alton Baker Park shelters.

Korea Night, learn about Korean history through film, dance and tae kwon do, 5:30pm dinner, 6:30pm show, EMU Ballroom, UO. \$8, \$6 UO stu.

Eugene Rhododendron Society Spring Show continues. See Saturday. Cottage Grove Home and Garden Show continues. See Saturday

**LECTURE** "South Dakota's War on Women," Rev. Edgar Peara, 5pm. Sprinafield Unitarian Universalist Fellowship. FREE.









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TH: Adult ballet-10 & 5:30, Paradise Dance. 485-4669. Adult/teen ballet-6, The Shedd. www.oregonballetacademy.com Adult urban beat jazz dance-4:30, In Shape Fitness. 517-9665. Argentine tango, all-level-8; Studio B. www.eugenetango.com iBailámos! dance concepts en Español for ages 3-4-3:30, Washington Park Community Center. 689-3233. Ballroom, beginning-7, St. Mary's Episcopal Church. 344-7591. Hip hop, beginning/intermediate-4, Paradise Dance Studio. 747-1323.

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NIA–9, StaverDanceSport; 5:30, YMCA. www.nia-nia.com
Sparkplug Dance, creative dance for teens and adults–6:30,
Washington Park Community Center. 689-3233.

Swing aerobics–noon, Paradise Dance Studio. 343-7826.

Swing and ballroom dance, beginning–7; experienced or continuing–8:30, St. Mary's Episcopal Church. 344-7591.

West African–7-8:30, Agate Hall. 517-4179.

West Coast swing 1–7, StaverDanceSport. 746-6268. Starts

April 6.

April 6. FR: Adult ballet-5:30, Paradise Dance. 485-4669.

Bhangra-6, Yoga West. Capoeira, all-level-7, EDGE. www.capoeiraeugene.org Flamenco, beginning-5. 431-1640. HoopDance-7, Core Star Cultural Center. www.mandala-

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NIA-9, StaverDanceSport; 9, Eugene School of Ballet (868-5900); 5:30, In Shape Fitness (868-5900). www.nia-nia.com
Oregon Ballroom Dance Club dance-7:30 lessons, 8:30 dance.
346-6025.
Salsa-9, Studio B. 687-0678.
Tango, intro class-8; Milonga (social dance)-9, The Tango
Center. www.tangocenter.org
SA: Adult ballet-10, Paradise Dance. 485-4669.
African, all-level-11, Skinner Butte Park near Campbell Senior
Center. 653-2840.
Ballroom, Latin-7:15, Studio B. www.alexanderdanceonline.com

Brazilian (Samba, xe, Coco, Maracatu, Forro)–1, Core Star Cultural Center. 686-5708 Cha cha 2–5:30; Ballroom sampler 1–7:30, StaverDanceSport.

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746-6268. Healing dance & yoga-11, Fool's Paradise Tea House. 653-2840. NIA-11:05, In Shape Fitness. www.nia-nia.com
Salsa dance contest-9pm, Vet's Club. 683-1384.
Tango intro class-8; Milonga (social dance)-9, The Tango
Center. www.tangocenter.org
West African, all levels-6:30, Odd Fellows Hall, Corvallis. 753-6833.
SU: Ballet, intermediate-5, InShape Fitness.

Capoeira, all-level-7, Core Star Community Space.
Contact improvisation-4, Eugene School of Ballet. 607-9416.
International-7:15, In Shape Fitness. 726-7548.
Lindy, advanced-5; intermediate-6; Lindy hop swing basics-7,
Agate Hall, UO. www.thejointisjumpin.com
NIA-12:30, In Shape Fitness. www.nia-nia.com
West African-11, WOW Hall. 687-2746.
M0: Adult ballet-5:30, Paradise Dance. 485-4669.
Bolero 1-7; Tango 2-8, StaverDanceSport. 746-6268.
Capoeira, all-level-8, In Shape Fitness. www.capoeiraeugene.org
Flamenco, beginning-7. 431-1640.
NIA-7, Studio B; 9, Eugene School of Ballet (868-5900); 9,
StaverDanceSport; 10:30, Core Star. www.nia-nia.com
Tap, beginning-7, Paradise Dance. 471-1323.
West Coast swing-7, Agate Hall, UO. www.68swing.com
TU: Adult ballet-10, Paradise Dance. 485-4669.
Adult dance-9, The Shedd. www.oregonballetacademy.com
Adult jazz-5:30, Paradise Dance. 747-1323.
African-6:30, Fool's Paradise Tea House. 653-2840.
Eugene Swing Team-7:30, Rock 'n' Rodeo. 687-9464.
Waltz 4-7; Fox trot 3-8, StaverDanceSport. 746-6268.
International, Eugene Folk Dancers-7, St. Mary's Episcopal
Church. 344-7591.

Mom and Me for ages 2-4–10:15, The Shedd. www.oregonballetacademy.com NIA-9, StaverDanceSport; 9, YMCA; 5:30, Willamalane Adult

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Neuro Nurture developmental movement for babies and parents-10:30, Sparkplug Dance. www.sparkplugdance.org
WE: Adult ballet-5:30, Paradise Dance. 485-4669.
Bellydance with Astryd deMichele, beginning/intermediate-7:30, Ballet Fantastique. 683-7778.

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Capoeira, all-level-8, In Shape Fitness. www.capoeiraeugene.org
Contact improvisation-5:30, Agate Hall, UO. 343-2913.
Dance in earth tones-9, Studio B. 342-4690.
Flamenco, beginning-6. 431-1640.
Fluid movement-9, Tamarack Wellness Center. 683-9501.
NIA-7, Studio B; 9, StaverDanceSport; 9, Eugene School of
Ballet (868-5900); 10:30, Core Star; 7, 5:30, Tamarack Wellness
Center www.nia-nia.com

Center. www.nia-nia.com Pilates mat-9, The Shedd. www.oregonballetacademy.com Pre-ballet for ages 3-4-10, The Shedd. www.oregonballeta-

Rumba technique-7; Rumba 3–8, StaverDanceSport. 746-6268. Swing, lindy hop–8, Studio B. www.eugenelindy.com Tap, intermediate–4:30, Paradise Dance. 747-1323.

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MUSIC Sharon Isbin and the Oregon Mozart Players continue. See Saturday.

John Pizzarelli, 7:30pm, Jaqua Concert Hall. \$28.50-\$38.50.

Ladies, Chocolate & Jazz, grand opening of new location, 6pm, Blue Luna Club, 174 West Broadway. 541-2583. \$5.

Conspirito performs Baroque sonatas, 3pm, Central Lutheran Church. \$10, \$5 stu.

Motet Singers, 5pm, Ebbert Memorial Methodist Church. 343-5101. \$7, \$5 sr., youth free.

Sam Wartenbee, 7pm, CD World.

Dog Fashion Disco, Tub Ring, Look What I Did, Karate High School, 8pm, WOW Hall. \$8 adv., \$10 dos.

ON THE AIR "Sunday at Noon" features primary election open mic with hosts Claude Offenbacher and Nicole Matthys, noon, KLCC 89.7 FM.

"The Son of Saturday Gold" features Carl Perkins, 11am, KRVM 91.9 FM.

### **OUTDOORS/RECREATION**

Birding Essentials Field Trip: Mist Netting with Dave Bontrager, 8am, Dexter; 7:30am carpool from Mount Pisgah Arboretum. Register at 747-1504. \$15.

Gardening with Nature: Gardening for Wildlife Habitat with Evelyn Hess, 1pm-4pm, Mount Pisgah Arboretum, Register at 747-1504. \$20, \$15 members.

Ethno-ecology all-day field trip, 9am, meet at Red Barn Natural Grocery, Register for event and carpool, Tobias, 513-8263. \$15-45 ss.

Wildflowers and Wings walk with naturalist Jules Gordon, 1pm, West Eugene Wetlands yurt. Holly, 683-6494.

"New Hikes in Northwest Oregon Southwest Washington,' slide show with author William Sullivan, 3pm, Books Without Borders. FREE. GEARs rides: Brownsville via Marcola/Brush Creek Road, 80 miles; Wendling Covered Bridge, 60 miles; Mohawk Store, 30 miles, 9am, meet at Alton Baker Park. www.eugenegears.org

Obsidians trips: Sweet Creek & Beaver Creek Falls, 5 miles; Our Daily Bread, Veneta, bike, 35 miles. See YMCA board for details.

SPIRITUAL Thich Nhat Hanh: Peace is Every Step video with discussion and potluck brunch, 11am. Center for Sacred Sciences. 345-

Amitabha Practice with the Venerable Lama Tsang Tsing, 9am, Kagyu Dakshang Chuling Dharma Center. 485-3961. \$30.

Festival Evensong, 5pm, Episcopal Church of the Resurrection, 686-8462

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LECTURE "Windows on the Other: Alterity in Baudelairian Autobiography," Ellen Burt, 2pm, Knight Library, UO. FREE.

MUSIC Eugene Symphonic Band Spring Concert, 7:30pm, Beall Hall, UO. \$8 fam., \$5, \$3 stu., sen.







ON THE AIR "Breakfast with Nancy" features Bernistine Singley and Tony Corcoran, 6am, KOPT 1600 AM.

"The Jefferson Exchange" fea-tures KDOV president Perry Atkinson, 8am and 8pm, KRVM 1280 AM.

"'60s Beat" features Donovan, 5pm, KRVM 91.9 F

### **OUTDOORS/RECREATION** Native Plant Society walk with Bruce Newhouse to observe wildflowers, wildlife and the end of the

day. 4:30pm, NE parking area, LCC or 5pm, Mount Pisgah east gate. Bruce, 343-2364. FREE. THEATER The Illusions of Lawrence Khong: A Magical Musical Adventure!, 7:30 today and tomor-



Sunrise 5:53am; Sunset 8:24pm Av High 65; Av Low 42

FILM Widespread Panic: Earth America, live broadcast Atlanta, 5pm, Cinemark 17. \$15.

Fed Up: Genetic Engineering, Industrial Agriculture and

Sustainable Agriculture and forest defense clips from around the world, 7pm, Lorax Manner, 1648 Alder. FREE.

**GATHERINGS** Intercambio: Conversation circles / Círculos de Conversacíon, adults and teens practice English and Spanish, with Hora de Diversíon, Cinco de Mayo celebration for grades 1-6, 6:30pm, Downtown Library. FREE.

Willamette Valley Hardy Plant Group with speaker Barbara Blossum Ashmun, 7pm, Agate Hall, UO. \$6, \$3 members.

Speed dating for single professionals, ages 37-54, 6:30pm; ages 24-36, 8:35pm, Adam's Place. Register at www.cupid.com/pre-

"How to Adopt," information meeting for anyone considering adopting a child internationally, 6:30pm, Holt International Children's Services. Eileen, 520-1492. FREE.

**LECTURE** David Livingston, acting coach, 6pm, Channel 29. Registration required at 683-1674.

**LITERARY ARTS** Brian Doyle reads and discusses *The Grail*, 7pm, UO Bookstore. FREE.

"Let's Talk About It: Jewish Literature Identity and Imagination" reading and discus-

sion series featuring The Centaur in the Garden by Moacyr Scliar, 7:30pm, Knight Library, UO. FREE.

Explorations book group, discuss Fire Logic by Laurie Marks, 7pm, Barnes & Noble. FREE.

**MUSIC** Richard Thompson, 7:30pm, Jacqua Concert Hall. 434-7000. \$26-\$36.

Charles Turley, baritone, and Nathaniel Fortin, piano, Beall Hall, UO, 8pm. \$9, \$5 stu.

Over the Rhine, Hem, 7:30pm,

ON THE AIR "Breakfast with Nancy" features Global Justice with Ibrihim Gossama and Hari Osofoky, and Carlos Aguirre on Latin American politics, 6am, KOPT 1600 AM.

"The Jefferson Exchange" fea-tures Tom Athanasiou, author of Dead Heat: Global Justice and Global Warming, 8am and 8pm, KRVM 1280 AM.

**OUTDOORS/RECREATION** Obsidians trip: Mt. Tom, 6 miles. See YMCA board for details.

SPIRITUAL Living the Four Agreements Wisdom Ci 7:30pm, DIVA. Paul, 461-1977.

THEATER The Illusions of Lawrence Khong: A Magical Musical Adventure! continues. See

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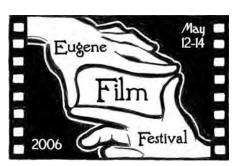
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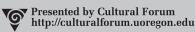
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ARTS/VISUAL An opening for "The Art of Japanese Brush Paintings," 5pm-7pm, Adult Activity Center, Spfd. FREE.

FILM Viy, in Russian with English subtitle Pacific, UO. FREE. subtitles,

**GATHERINGS** Nature Center tour, 1pm and 4pm, Lost Valley Educational Center, Dexter. 937-3351. FREE.

Cajun/zydeco dance, 7pm-9pm, World Café. Helmut, 344-0748. FREE.

Wine-tasting discussion and sampling, 6pm, Oregon Wine Warehouse. Reservations required at 342-8598. \$20.

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Eugene Macintosh User Group meeting, 6:30pm, Vets' Club FRFF.

**LECTURES** "African Americans in the Urban West – the 19th and 20th Centuries," Quintard Taylor, 3:30pm, Knight Library. FREE.

"Nicaragua, Nicaraguita: A 25-Year Retrospective," Bryan Moore, 4pm, Walnut Rroom, EMU, UO. FREE.

LITERARY ARTS James Kunstler reads and discusses The Long Emergency, 7pm, Knight Library, UO. FREE.

MUSIC University of Michigan Men's Glee Club Guest Ensemble, Beall Hall, UO. \$5, \$3 stu.

Swinging Marmalukeys, 5:30pm, Eugene Wine Cellars. 342-2600. \$5 includes appetizers & wine tasting.

Logan Martin, Dan Hartman, Jared Swezey, 7pm, Cozmic Pizza. \$5 don.

Kan' Nal, 9pm, WOW Hall. \$12 adv., \$14 dos.

ON THE AIR "Breakfast with Nancy" features Tom Beaudon, author of *Consuming Faith*, 6am, KOPT 1600 AM.

"The Jefferson Exchange" features Oregon Business Association president Lynn Lundquist, 8am and 8pm, KRVM 1280 AM.

OUTDOORS/RECREATION Grand re-opening, 1pm, Stewart Aquatic Center. 686-9290.

Bird walk through the forest with Dan Gleason; bring binoculars, 7am, Wilkins Picnic Shelter,

FREE.

Hendricks Park. FREE Hynix Stormwater tour with Doug Brooke, 6pm, Hynix visitor parking lot. Holly, 683-6494.

GEARs rides: McBeth, Fox Hollow, Lorane, Bailey Hill, 35 miles; McBeth to Fox Hollow, 20 miles, 6pm, meet at Alton Baker Park. www.eugenegears.org

Obsidians trip: Ridgeline Trail-Dillard to Blanton Heights, 5 miles. See YMCA board for details.

THEATER The Sex Habits of American Women previews, 8pm tonight and tomorrow, Lord Leebrick Theatre. \$8.

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**BENEFITS** "I Want to Mine the Earth Until I Find You," an event in honor of Mother's Day, in rememberance of "the disap-peared" and a fund-raiser to help send local activists to Fort Benning protests against the School of the Americas, 7:30pm, First Methodist Church. CISCAP, 485-8633, \$5 & up.

Fund-raiser for Stacy Sisk, with Nathaniel Talbot, Chico Schwall, Jerry and the Stage Hogs and more, 5pm-11pm, Cozmic Pizza. Don.

**DANCE** Spring Dance Concert 8pm today, tomorrow and May 13, Performance Hall, LCC, \$10, \$8 stu., sr.

FILM "Klamath River Dams: Bring the Salmon Home," four short films, 7pm, 100 Willamette, UO. FREE.

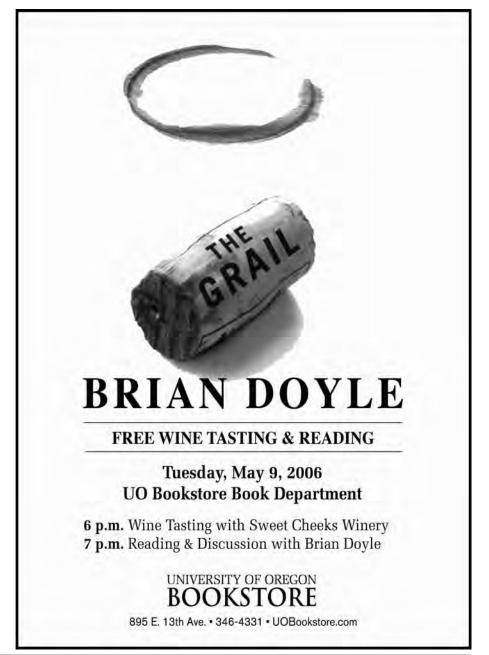
**GATHERINGS** "Gather at the Guard," LGBT and straight parents, kids and allies deliver petition ask ing paper to include names of both same-sex parents in birth announcements, 10:45am, Register-Guard. Rebecca, 684-0220.

"Night of Peace" with Physicians for Social Change, CALC and panel discussion on effects of war, 7pm, North Eugene High School, FREE.

LandWatch annual meeting with Jim Just, Lauri Segel and Whitey Lueck, 6:45pm, Downtown Library,

University Day, annual clean-up and beautification by students, faculty and staff, register by pioneer statue on E. 13th Ave., UO, 346-2275.

Caregiver support group, open to all caring for a loved one with Alzheimer's or other memory disease, 9:30am, Junction City



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**KIDS** Gimme Games for grades 1-6, learn mahjong and meet author Ginnie Lo, 4pm, Downtown Library, FREE.

LITERARY ARTS Eugene Poetry Slam Playoffs with featured poet John Dooley, 8pm-11pm, Tsunami Books. Don.

Terri Jentz reads and discusses Strange Piece of Paradise, 7pm, UO Bookstore. FREE.

Kenneth Helphand reads and discusses *Defiant Gardens: Making Gardens in Wartime*, 7:30pm, 182 Lillis, UO. FREE.

**MUSIC** Emerald City Jazz Kings: "Harry and Hoagy – What a Pair," 7:30pm tonight and 2:30pm May 14, Jacqua Concert Hall. 434-7000. \$20-\$29.

Raga: Music of India featuring The Mysore Violin Brothers, 8pm, Unity of the Valley Church. \$16 adv., \$20 dos.

Mat Kearney, Joshua Radin, Justin King, 8pm, WOW Hall. \$10 adv., \$12 dos. **ON THE AIR** "Breakfast with Nancy" features Bern Johnson of E-Law, Roni Cohen-Sandler, author of *Stressed-out Girls*, Goddess Giveaway, 6am, KOPT 1600 AM.

"The Jefferson Exchange" discusses the processes, players and politics involved in the making of urban space with architect and UO professor Mark Gillem, 8am and 8pm, KRVM 1280 AM.

"New Dimensions" features "Eco World: Earth Matters" with Mark Hertsgaard, 6:30pm, KLCC 89.7 FM.

**SPIRITUAL** Interfaith Prayer and Reflection Service, 6:45pm, First Christian Church. 345-4952. Potluck reception follows; child care available.

**THEATER** Benches—The Musical continues. See Thursday, May 4.

Once Upon a Mattress continues. See Friday.

The Sex Habits of American Women previews continue. See Wednesday.

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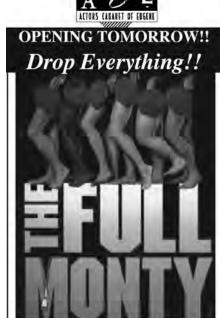
**THURSDAY, MAY 4**Faculty Recital: Janet Hackett,
Rebecca Jeffers and Scott King,

noon, MU Lounge, OSU. FREE.
"Useful Knowledge About
Magnetic Resonance Imaging, a
lecture by John D. Roberts,
4:30pm, LaSells Stewart Center,
OSU. 737-2975 FRFF

"I Was Accused of Being a Bastard: Tensions of Childhood, 1906-1915," a lecture by Elizabeth Lapovsky-Kennedy, 4pm, 206 MU, OSU. FREE. Rebecca Belmore, Canadian/ Asishinablwe artist, 7pm, LaSells Stewart Center, OSU. 737-4745. FRFF

FRIDAY, MAY 5 The Bad Fish Band, Cinco de Mayo show, with OSU Steel Percussion band, 7pm, all ages; 9:30pm, a 21+ show, Bombs Away Café. 757-7221.

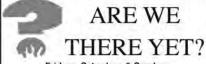
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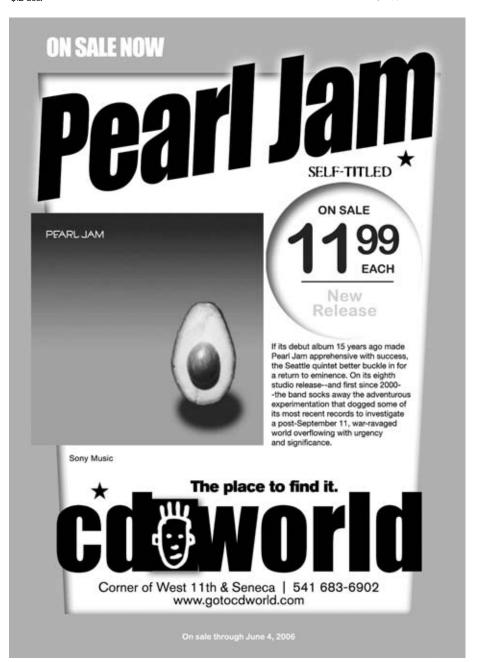
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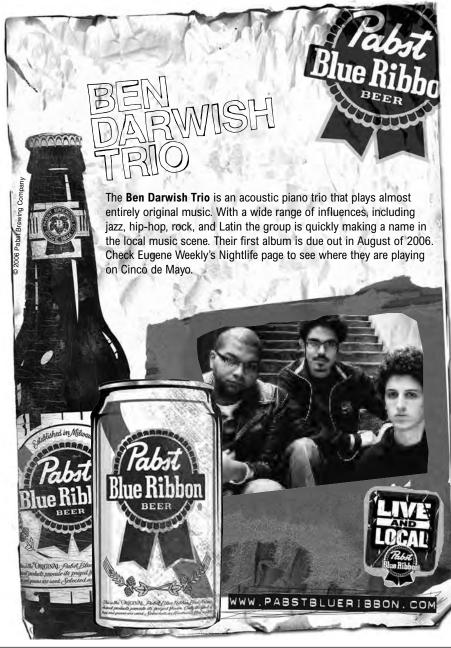
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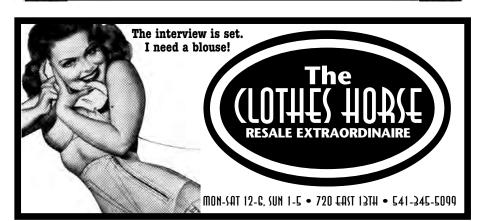


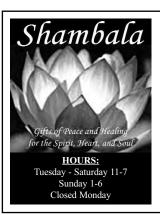
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The Miser, 8pm today, tomorrow, May 12-13 and 18-20; 2:30pm May 14, Albany Civic Theater, Albany. \$9. \$6 stu., sen.

**SATURDAY, MAY 6** "Back to the Bard: Shakespeare in Song," 7:30pm, Russell Tripp Performance Center, LBCC, Albany. \$15, \$4 stu.

Albany Farmers' Market, 8amnoon, Water Ave. between Broadalbin and Ferry, Albany. FREE Corvallis Farmers' Market, 9am-1pm, 1st & Jackson. FREE.

SUNDAY, MAY 7 International Students of OSU World Fair with performances and meals from cultural groups, noon-4:30pm, MU Quad, OSU.

"Back to the Bard: Shakespeare in Song," 3pm, First Congregational Church, Corvallis. \$15, \$4 stu.

MONDAY, MAY 8 OSU Meistersingers and University of Michigan Men's Glee Club, 7:30pm, First Congregational Church, Corvallis.\$10.

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 10**Random Review: *The Pearl Diver* by Jeff Talarigo, reviewed by Katie and Steve Kohl, noon, Corvallis

An opening reception for OSU Art Emeriti exhibit, 4:30pm-6pm, Fairbanks Gallery, Fairbanks Hall, OSU. FREE.

Library. FREE.

Corvallis Wednesday Farmers' Market, 8am-1pm, Benton County Fairgrounds. FREE.

THURSDAY, MAY 11 Silent Woman, 7:30pm today, tomorrow, May 13 and May 18-20, Withycombe Main Stage Theatre, OSU. 737-2784.

Jesus Christ Superstar, 8pm today, tomorrow, May 13, May 18-20 and May 24-27; 2:30pm May 14, 21 and 28, Majestic Theatre, Corvallis. 738-7469.

Diane Hawkins, Abigail Stoughton and Jeff Parsons, chamber music. noon, MU lounge, OSU.FREE.



THURSDAY, MAY 4 Sigur Amina. 8pm. Ros, Amina, Opin, Amina. Schnitzer Concert Hall, Portland. \$27.50 adv.

TV on the Radio, Celebration, 9pm, Doug Fir Lounge, Portland. 21+ show. \$15.

"Cinco de Mayo Bomb" with Bow Wow, Twista, Ne-Yo, E-40, Bubba Sparxxx and more, 7:30pm, Rose Garden, Portland. \$15-\$55.

Mad Caddies, Love Equals Death, Breathe Fire, 7pm, Domino Room, Bend. \$12 adv.

Dean Kramer, Claire Wachter, David Riley, Milagro Vargas, Fritz Gearhart and Brad Foley, 7pm, Sherman Clay-Moe's Pianos, Portland. music.uoregon.edu FREE.

An opening for "Five Folks: A Variety Show," Linfield College senior thesis exhibition, 6pm, Portland Art Center. FREE.

An opening for work by Jennifer Gray, 6pm, Lawrence Gallery, Portland. FREE.

2006 Quilt Show Poster Preview Party, 4:30pm-7:30pm, Desert Gallery, Sisters. www.high-desertgallery.com

Blithe Spirit, 7:30pm tonight, tomorrow and May 6; 2pm May 7, Cascades Theatrical Company, Bend. 389-0803. \$20, \$15 sr., \$10 stu.

FRIDAY, MAY 5 Portland Baroque Orchestra with Monica Huggett, 8pm today and tomor-row, First Baptist Church, Portland, 1-800-494-8497.

Rainer Maria, 9pm, Doug Fir Lounge, Portland. 21+ show. \$8 adv., \$10 dos.

Travis Rush, 7:30pm, Crystal Ballroom, Portland. \$20 adv., \$25 dos.

RBD, 8:30pm, Rose Garden, Portland. 877-789-7673. \$45-85.

Slow Music with Peter Buck, Bred Chalenor, Matt Chamberlain. Robert Fripp, Bill Rieflin, Hector Zazou, 8pm, Aladdin Theater, Portland. \$20.

Seals & Seals, 7pm and 9pm. The Mill Casino and Hotel, North Bend.

Beth Willis, 7pm, Blu Cork Wine Bar, Newport. FREE.

24th Annual Ceramic Showcase of the Oregon Potters Association, Oregon Convention Center, Portland, 10am-9pm today and tomorrow 10am-5pm Sunday. FREE.

"Spring Unveiling" art exhibit, today through Sunday, Dragonfire Studio & Gallery, Cannon Beach. 503-436-1533. FREE.

SATURDAY, Portland Indie Wine Festival, 3pm-6pm today and tomorrow, Chown Garage and Urban Wineworks, Portland. 503-595-0891 www.indiewinefestival.com

TADA, a fund-raiser for PICA's 2006 Time-Based Art Festival. 6pm patron dinner; 10pm birthday party, AudioCinema, Portland. 503-242-1419/

Cara Black, "The Scoop on Writing Mysteries," 9:30am-11:30am AnnaMaria Creekside Retirement Resort, Medford. Lori, 955-9365. \$5, members free.

Mozart: The Inspirations, Portland Youth Philharmonic. 7:30pm, Portland. 503-223-5939.

Oregon Chamber Players, 7:30pm. All Saints' Episcopal C Portland. \$14, \$12 stu., sen.

Destroyer, Hudson Bell, 9pm, Doug Fir Lounge, Portland. 21+ show. \$10.



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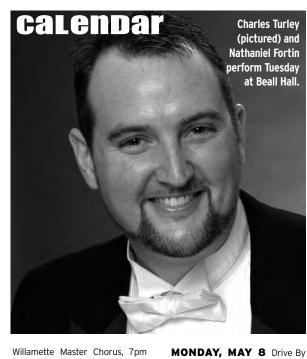
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Truckers, Son Volt, 9pm, Roseland Theater, Portland. \$20 adv.

Acid Mothers Temple, the Antarticans, 9pm, Doug Fir Lounge, Portland. 21+ show. \$10.

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Goldfrapp, 9pm, Crystal Ballroom, Portland. 21+ show. \$9.47.

Elf Power, the Instruments, 9pm, Doug Fir Lounge, Portland. 21+

Regina Spektor, 9pm, Dante's, Portland. \$12.50.

fEARnoMUSIC, Ensemble East West and others, *The Fall '01*, 7pm, Warner Pacific College,

**THURSDAY, MAY 11** Dan Savage, Storm Large and The Balls, 9pm, Crystal Ballroom, Portland. \$5 adv., \$7dos.

Thicker than Water, 8pm today, tomorrow, and May 13; 2pm and 7pm May 14, Performance Works

show. \$8 adv., \$10 dos.

Portland, \$10.

Willamette Master Chorus, 7pm today; 3pm Sunday, Hudson Hall, Willamette University, Salem. \$15, \$12 stu., sen.

Oregon Coastal-Aires; American Harmony, 7pm, Newport Performing Arts Center, Newport. \$30, \$25 sr., \$10 stu.

Grand opening and sculpture garden party, 10am-2pm, Mimi Fox M.F.A. Gallery, Yachats. FREE.

*Tartuffe*, 7:30pm, Lincoln Performance Hall, PSU, Portland. 503-725-3307.

**SUNDAY, MAY 7** Melissa Ferrick, Rachel Cantu, Tyler James, 9pm, Doug Fir Lounge, Portland. 21+ show. \$15 adv., \$17 dos.

Portland Baroque Orchestra with Monica Huggett, 3pm, Kaul Auditorium, Reed College, Portland. 1-800-494-8497.

The Gould Piano Trio, 7pm, Newport Performing Arts Center, Newport. \$30, \$25 sen., \$10 stu. State of Jefferson, 7:30pm today, tomorrow, May 13, May 18 & 19, May 25, 26 & 27; 2pm May 14, 20, 21 & 28, Centerstage Theatre, Umpqua Community College. \$9.

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Eugene Concert Choir is holding auditions for new members May 4. Appointment required. 687-6865 or lisa@eugeneconcertchoir.org

The Eugene Film Festival, May 12-14, seeks volunteers; orientation meeting, 7pm, May 8, EWEB. James, 868-7523, or Kaethlyn, 343-8203.

How has the library changed *your* life? Eugene Public Library encourages patrons to submit to *Women's Day* library essay contest. Essays of 700 words or fewer are due by noon, May 10. See www.womensday.com/ala for guidelines.

Spring Creek Project is accepting applications for two writers' residencies with a deadline of May 15. See www.springcreek.oregonstate.edu for details and applicati

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Actors Cabaret of Eugene is holding auditions for Evita, the Broadway musical, at 6:30pm May 8. 3 men and 2 women plus large ensemble and chorus of children needed. All roles are open; all must be strong singers. Prepare a short Broadway-style song. Stagehands and those interested in costumes, etc. also needed. 683-4368.



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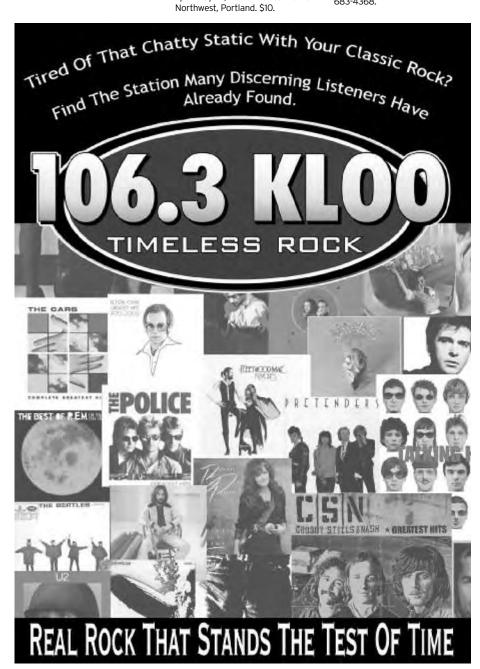
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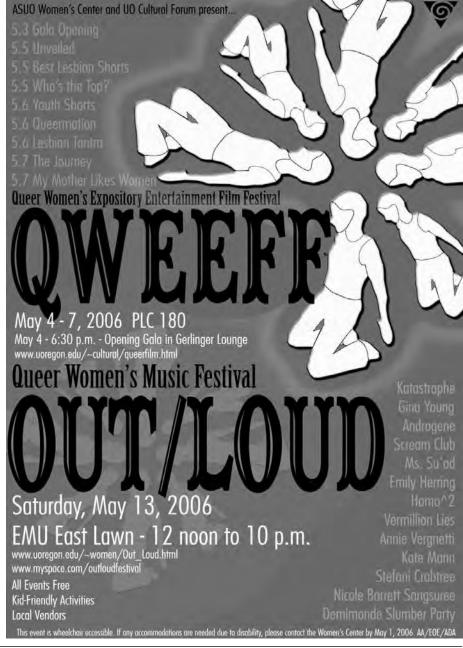
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All exhibits free unless otherwise noted. **Adell McMillan Gallery** "2006 Pacific Northwest Art Annual," through May 9. 8am-midnight M-F; 8am-8pm Sa & Su. 2nd Floor, EMU, UO.

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Alder Gallery "The North Umpqua River: A Swift Odyssey," work by Susan Comerford. An opening is 1-3pm Saturday. "Another World," work by Jason Harris, and "Rivers and Streams of Oregon," a group show, through May 19. 11am-5pm Tu-Sa; 11am-3pm Su. Coburg. 342-6411.

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**The Art of Everything** Work by local artists, ongoing. Noon-6pm, Tu-F; noon-4pm Sa. 513 Main St., Cottage Grove. Noon-6pm, Tu-F; noon-4pm Sa. 513 Main St., Cottage Grove. **Art-Exiled** Original work by refugee artists, currently specializing in work by Burmese refugees, ongoing. By appointment. 1973 Pierce St. 689-2441. www.art-exiled.org **Benton County Historical Museum** Prints, paintings, sculpture and other art from the musuem collection, through May 17. 10am-4:30pm Tu-Sa. 1101 Main St., Philomath. **Retter Yet** Watercolors collage and mixed media by

Better Yet Watercolors, collage and mixed media by Cortney Benvenuto, through May 25. Noon-6:30pm M-Sa. 782 Blair Blvd.

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Brewed Awakening "The Beauty of Spring," work by Emerald Photography Society members, through June 10. 6am-8pm M-F; 7:30am-4pm Sa & Su.2532 Willakenzie Road.

Café Soriah Photography by Jon Meyers, through May 31. 11am-2pm and 5pm-10pm M-F; 11am-2pm and 5pm-11pm F-Sa. 384 West 13th.

Center for the Humanities "500 Years of Cartography," maps, charts and illustrations dating back to the 1400s, through Sept. 30. 8:30am-4:30pm M-F. Autzen House, OSU, Corvallis. 737-3537.

Cortesia Sanctuary Gallery Mystical nature photography and watercolors by Tricia Clark-McDowell, ongoing. By appointment. 84540 McBeth Rd. 343-9544.

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Creative Hands Merchantile Original art prints by Sydney Roark, watercolors by Erin Williams, fiber art by Joanne Dubrow and work by other Northwest artists, ongoing. 10am-6pm Tu-F; 11am-5pm Sa. 488 Willamette.

David Joyce Gallery "Oregon Landscapes: An LCC Faculty & Staff Show," with work by Jerry Ross, Deborah Posen, Will Klausmeier and more, through Sept. 15. 8am-5pm M-F. Building 19, Lane Coummunity College. 463-3500.

BUIVA "Callioraphs," recent work by Tipa. Schrager.

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DIVA "Calligraphs," recent work by Tina Schrager, through June 30. Opening May 5, 5-8pm. Noon-6pm Tu-Sa; noon-9pm First Fridays. 110 W. Broadway Ave.

Dr. Don Dexter Woodblock prints by Susan Mershon and photography by Kristin Loya, through May 26. 8am-5pm M-F. 2233 Willamette, Bldg. B.

Downtown Lounge "A Strange Perspective," work by Joey Edward and Steve Newman, through May 31. An opening is 6:30pm Friday. 11am-2:30am M-F; 1pm-2:30am Sa & Su. 459 Pearl, 953-6091.

**Eccentricities** Zimbabwean tapestries and storyboard, unique and colorful art by various artists, ongoing. 1pm-6pm W & by appointment. 2368 Agate St. 484-1490.

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Emerald Art Center National Juried Spring Exhibition,
May 2 through May 27. "Fun With Art." work by
Springfield Public Schools students, through May 9. An
opening is 5pm Saturday. 11am-4pm Tu-Sa. 500 Main
Street, Spfld. 726-8595.

Espresso PRN Galleries "Spirit Birds" by Olivia
Timmons and "Masks" by Mark Jones-Phillips, through
June 21. Third Floor, Sacred Heart Medical Center, 1255
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**Fire House Studio** "Big Paintings of Small Toys" and other new work by Scott Boyes, ongoing. By appointment at 206-8810. 1085 W. 1st Ave.

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Florence Events Center Galleries "Visions of a Wonderful World," work by Muriel Wilhelmi; "Tiny Lights," work by Eileen Beck; and work by Monday Painters, through May 31. 9am-5pm M-F and by appointment and during events. 715 Quince St., Florence.

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Flying Turtle Gallery Work by Alison McNair, Sharon Wick, Laura Beamer, Sean Ben-Safed, others, ongoing. 10am-6pm Th-M. 47488 Hwy 58, Oakridge. 782-1178.

Glenwood Watercolors by Claudia "Cloud" Gray, through May 31. 6:30am-9pm M-F; 7am-9pm Sa-Su. 2588

**Hinman Vineyards** Work by Richard Quigley, Jea Edelblut, Rick Williams, ongoing. Noon-5pm daily. 27012 Briggs Hill Rd. 345-1945.

Horsehead Bar Work by Don Rictt through June 1. An opening is 6-8pm Friday. Noon-2:30am. 99 W. Broadway.

I Run With Scissors Salon Mosaic table, fractals, oils and more, ongoing. Evenings, W-F. 570 Lawrence St.,

Ivan Kelly Studio-Gallery Paintings by Ivan Kelly, ongoing. 11am-5pm Sa; 1pm-5pm Su. 207 E. Graham, Toledo.

Jacobs Gallery "A Contrast in Formalities: Walt Stevens and Bruce Dean," through May 20. Noon-5pm Tu-F; 11am-

Jordan Schnitzer Museum of Art "Ferminal J2," works by graduate students, through June 4. An opening is 6-9pm Friday. Van Gogh's Femme Dans Un Jardin and Henri Edmund Cross' Un Pin, through June. "The Salton Riviera," photography by Christopher Burkett, through June 25. flam-5pm Th-Su; flam-8pm W. \$5, \$3 stu., sr. Karin Clarke Gallery "The Oregon Territory," work by Jim Shull, through May 6. 10am-5:30pm Tu-Sa. 760 Willamette St. 684-7963.

Knight Library "Revealed Design." nature photography

Knight Library "Revealed Design," nature photography by Sean Bagshaw, through June 30. 8am-midnight M-Th; 8am-7pm F; 11am-7pm Sa; 11am-midnight Su. Second floor,



#2904, work by Annette Labedzki, at Adell McMillan Gallery through May 9.

Lane County Community College "Student Juried Art Show" through May 12. An awards ceremony and recep-tion is today at noon. 8am-5pm M-Th; 8am-4pm Fri. LCC Art Department Gallery, 4000 E. 30th Ave.

Lane County Historical Museum "Oregon Trail" and other exhibits, ongoing. 10am-4pm W-F; noon-4pm Sa, Su. 740 W. 13th Ave. \$2.

Letterhead Gallery Sculpture by Frank Russell and Betty Wolfston, ongoing. 10am-6pm M-F; 9am-5pm Sa. 25 E. 8th

Heitist's Gallery "Kreyol Collective," work by artists from Haiti and the Dominican Republic, through May 5. 11am-11pm daily. 453 Willamette St.

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Maude Kerns Art Center "Free-form: Sculpture," work by various artists, through May 26. 10am-5:30pm M-F; noon-4pm Sa. 1910 E. 15th Ave. \$3 sug. don.

Monroe St. Café Work by Gary Buchholz, through May 31. 8am-10pm daily. 1123 Monroe St.

Museum of Modern Malabon Art Student artwork, grades K-5, ongoing. 8:15am-2:15pm M-F. Malabon Elementary School, 1380 Taney St.

Museum of Natural and Cultural History "Condon's

Museum of Natural and Cultural History "Condon's Classroom: Oregon Minister, Geologist and Teacher," through Aug. 30. 11am-5pm Tu-Su. 1680 E. 15th Ave.

Museum of Unfine Art and Record Store Mother's Day Show with Dawn Baby, Debbie Davenport and Jen Drake through May 14. 10:37am-7:06pm M-F; 1:13pm-7:01pm Sa. 537 Willamette St

New Zone Gallery "Art in May," An opening is 5pm-8pm Friday. Noon-6pm Th-Sa. 975 Oak Alley. 935-4308. Of Grape and Grain Photography by Javier Urquizu, through May 4; hand woven rugs by Stephen Bennet May 5-June 1. An opening is 3-5pm Friday. 9am-5pm M-Sa; noon-4:30pm Su. 160 Oakway Road. Oregon Gallery Photography by Ron Keebler, watercolors by Michael Smith, pottery by Richard Sanchez and work by many Northwest artists, ongoing. 10am-6pm M-F; Itam-7pm Sa; noon to 5pm Su. 199 E. 5th Ave., Suite 5. Rainbow Optics Gallery "The Magic Carpet Project," quilts drawn by children in the U.S. then woven by Turkish weavers, ongoing. 9am-5pm M-Sa. 766 E. 13th Ave. 485-4801. Sattva Gallery Work by Mitzi Linn, ongoing. 10am-7pm

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Shelton-McMurphey-Johnson House "Victorian Ladies," through May 14. 10am-1pm Tu-F; 1pm-4pm Sa, Su. 303 Willamette St. \$5.

Sweet Home Gallery Work by Maria Avila, Lee Dunning

and Adriana Avila, ongoing. 9am-7pm daily. 2690 Kalmia

St., sweet Home.

White Lotus Gallery Photography by Gary Tepfer, through May 13. 10am-5:30pm Tu-Sa. 767 Willamette St. 345-3276.

Willamalane Adult Activity Center "The Art of Japanese Brush Painting" work by Katherine Thompson. An opening is Wednesday, 5pm. 8am-5pm M-F. 215 W. C Street, Spfd.

WOW Hall Lobby Paintings and drawings by Amanda Acker, through May 31. 3pm-6pm M-F. 291 W. 8th.

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STOP #2: M.E.C.C.A. & Network Charter School, 43 W. Broadway.

STOP #3: DIVA (Downtown Initiative for the Visual Arts), 110 W. Broadway.

STOP #4: ARTFest, 126 W. Broadway.

STOP #5: The Tango Center, 194 W. Broadway.



ALSO OPEN for First Friday, 5:30-8:30 p.m., but not part of the walking tour.



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# Concrete Commitment

Local youth and business rally around new skate park proposal.

By Adrienne van der Valk

ustin Bjur has been trying to land a kickflip indie all afternoon. Shirtless and baggy-shorted, his lip ring gleaming in the sun, Bjur gives himself a running start of at least 20 feet before hurling himself into the bowl. He emerges with a respectable raspberry on his leg, more determined than ever to land the trick.

Bjur is one of about a dozen young guys skating the afternoon away at the Amazon Skate Park, a modest concrete bowl swirling with years' worth of graffiti and boundless teenage enthusiasm. Over the grind of wheels against concrete, the skaters share words of advice and encouragement as well as stories and reviews of other skate parks in town. "Dude, I was over at Bethel today. That park is so for biking," says one of skaters.

It doesn't take much to get this crowd talking about what the city needs in terms of skating facilities. They all agree: the more space devoted to their favorite pastime, the better. None of them has heard about the grassroots push for a new skate park under the Washington/Jefferson Bridge but contemplate the pros and cons seriously when asked if they feel such a project would be an asset to the community.

"It would be better if we could just skate around town. They won't do that, but it would be cool if they could build a street park," says 15-year-old Chris Leland. "Everyone wants a place they can skate rails and stairs."

Leland's preference for "street" versus "vert" parks reflects a division among skateboarders unknown to many park designers, let alone the city council. Street refers to skating around in urban areas, using sidewalks, curbs, benches, rails and stairs for tricks and slides. Vert, short for vertical, means developed skat-

ing areas with curved walls, quarter pipes, half

of skater."

The Burnside Skate Park in Portland is simi-

Protection from the elements is also a concern for the skaters at Amazon who long to skate through the winter months. "The only places to skate when it's raining you have to pay for," laments Brendan Birr. "It would be cool to have a place under the bridge to skate in the winter. I don't believe in paying to skate."

The April 10th City Council meeting included a discussion of how to word a local bond measure designed to fund additional land acquisition for parks and open spaces. Chandler hopes to see the skate park listed as a project to be funded by the measure, but wants to explore all avenues to make the park a reality. He is currently in the process of establishing a nonprofit organization to provide structure to fund-raising efforts necessary to supplement whatever cash may or may not materialize from the bond. According to Chandler, to do the project right will take more than \$400,000. That's more money than they'd get even if the project were included in the bond and the bond passes.

When told that most of the skaters over at Amazon said they were willing to help out with the fund-raising, Chandler is pleased. "Having a nonprofit provides an official mechanism to tap into this desire to participate and get the word out in the community."

Back at Amazon, the crowd is divided about whether they'd rather have a new park or see their own park improved. But they all reiterate a sense of feeling unnecessarily corralled into outdated, inadequate facilities. One skater points out that the wall Bjur has been

Bob Chandler, co-owner of Tactics Boardshop, wants to engage youth like Bjur and Leland in the planning process for a new park he and other Tactics employees and customers proposed to the city.

Chandler has spent the last two years in dialogue with the city, gathering testimony and getting involved in the parks planning process called the Parks and Open Space Comprehensive Plan. He explains that using the Washington/Jefferson Bridge location, the location they're proposing, makes sense from both a geographic and a meteorological perspective. "It's covered and it's underutilized," he says. "It's central, but not right downtown.

bouncing off for hours was built hastily by an amateur builder with little knowledge of con-

Wherever they land on the issue, they're all eager to see Bjur land his trick. "I love this park and I skate it every day, but it could be so much cooler," Bjur calls over his shoulder, preparing to take one more run. "I'm going to try this again. No, I'm not going to try. I'm going to land it."

pipes, fun boxes, tabletops and other features created specifically for skateboarding and inline skating. Bob Chandler, co-owner of Tactics Boardshop, wants to engage youth like Bjur and Leland in the planning process for a new park he and other Tactics employees and customers proposed to the city last month.

"The most successful [skate parks] out there have been designed by skaters and community consensus and built by companies that are owned by skaters," Chandler says. "Our hope is that this project will evolve and meet the needs of a lot of different levels and styles



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# Take the Tsanchiifin Walk

Exploring the West Eugene Wetlands.

By Steve Gordon

ome take a spring walk through the famous West Eugene Wetland prairie. These wetlands have been recognized nationally during the past year as a treasure right here in our green, environmentally friendly city. Learn why these prairies were vital to the Kalapuyan way of life and see first hand what plants and animals live in these moist, muddy soils along Amazon Creek in the Long Tom River watershed.

The West Eugene Wetland partners own more than 3,000 acres of land, most of it within the West Eugene region. The Tsanchiifin Walk is in the Willamette Daisy Meadow and the Tsal Luk-wah Wetlands.

Tsanchiifin is a Native American Kalapuyan word for the group of indigenous people who lived in the Upper Willamette region, and Tsal luk-wah means "river of grass." These wet prairie habitats are among some of Oregon's rarest plant communities and are home to a number of rare plants and the rare Fender's blue butterfly. The larvae feed on the flower Kincaid's lupine, which grows on upland patches adjacent to the wetlands.

This easy, all-weather walk consists of two short loops over concrete, boardwalk and gravel surfaces. It is an easy walk on flat ground, perfect for kids and adults.

Editor's Note: Immediately northwest of this walk, Editor's Note: immediately northwest of this walk, where the bike and walking path cross the railroad tracks, in the largest parcel of the West Eugene Wetlands, the proposed four-lane highway commonly referred to as the West Eugene Parkway would travel over your head and down into the Willamette Daisy Meadow and Meadowlark Prairie.

# Getting there (drive, bike or bus):



Drive west on West 11th Avenue about 2 miles.

At Danebo Avenue, turn right (north) and park at the BLM wetland office north of Amazon Creek.



Walk or bike along the Fern Ridge path and continue down to



LTD's Bertelsen bus, route #43, and Veneta bus, route #93, both have stops at the intersection of West 11th Avenue and Danebo

Time: The walk takes 1-1 1/2 hours.

Wetland Office Hours: The wetland office is staffed by the folks who work there and has no set hours. But if it's open, be sure to stop in.

1. If the wetland office is open, check out some of the available literature inside. Outside you'll find more info posted on the seed cooler building (wetland seeds are stored here for future restoration projects). A portable bathroom is located nearby.

Currently, the Willamette Resources and Educational Network, WREN, operates its nonprofit educational programs from this office and the nearby vurt classroom. You can find butterflies and birds around the office. The hedgerows host Bewick's wrens, California quail, dark-eyed juncos and various sparrows. In spring, the trees around the office are filled with migrating warblers. Nearby are restored Kincaid's lupine, where you might see the rare Fender's blue butterfly.

- 2. Walk down the hill past the yurt and follow the boardwalk made of recycled materials. This boardwalk takes you over the prairie wetlands without trampling them. Look for the tall tufted hairgrass, deschampsia cespitosa, which grows in clumps. The tall stem rises to about 3 feet high before it drops its small seeds. In late summer and fall, this golden grass waves gently in the breeze and reminds you of tallgrass prairies that once greeted early settlers in the Willamette Valley. Look here for Nootka rose with its pink spring blossoms and red rose hips in winter.
- 3. When you reach the Fern Ridge Path near a small copse of Oregon ash, look for songbirds in the trees. American robins and American goldfinches are found here frequently, and you may flush a mourning dove from its perch. At the informational pullout along Amazon Creek,

read about Willow Creek.

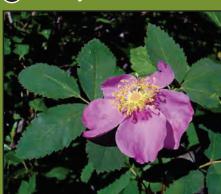
Looking south, you can see the outfall of Willow Creek as it joins Amazon Creek. A 2-mile stretch of Amazon Creek was enhanced in the late 1990s with more gentle slopes, enlarged pools and development of side channels. Here you can compare the steeper slope on the south side of the creek with the partiallyrestored section.

This widening allowed more woody plants like willows to be planted along the Creek while still maintaining flood capacity. You may find a green heron, a hooded merganser or a belted kingfisher along the Amazon. As you approach the Danebo Avenue bridge over the Amazon, look for signs of a beaver dam. Lucky observers have spotted river otters in Amazon Creek during the past year.

4. After crossing under Danebo, look for the entrance to the Tsanchiifin walk in the Willamette Daisy Meadow. This site was an air landing strip in World War II, and in the 1950s it was a popular spot for drag racing. The asphalt has been removed and replaced with restored wetlands. Look for signs of the old runways as you walk along the loop trail.

Along the trail, you can see restored wet prairie and vernal pool habitats. These shallow, vernal pools fill with the winter rains and dry up by the end of spring. In winter and early spring they host Canada geese, mallards, greenwinged teals and great blue herons. As you walk along the trail, you may flush a Wilson's snipe. This brown, streaked, long-billed shorebird will "squawk" and fly away in a zigzag fashion, so be quick to spot it.





2) Nootka Rose







- **5.** In late April and May, the common camas blooms in rich blues. The bulb of this lily family member was a staple in the Kalapuyan diet. They gathered the bulbs, ground them, and roasted them in rock fire pits for trade and winter food. The blue blooms enliven the prairie and serve as a living reminder of the past.
- **6.** The area to the northeast of the path is being enhanced by removing trees to open up more prairie. In the future, attempts will be made to restore Kincaid's Jupine further to the north as future habitat for the recovery of Fender's blue butterfly. As you walk, keep an

eye out for birds of prey. You can find turkey vultures, red-tailed hawks, northern harriers (formerly known as marsh hawk) and American kestrels, our smallest falcons, hunting in these

**7.** As you round the bend in Tsanchiifin Walk and head south toward Amazon Creek, you enter a copse of ash. Here in the thickets you are likely to find spotted towhees, song sparrows, Bewick's wrens and house finches. There is a platform where you can look over the largest pond. Listen for Pacific chorus frogs (formerly known as tree frogs). For a real treat,



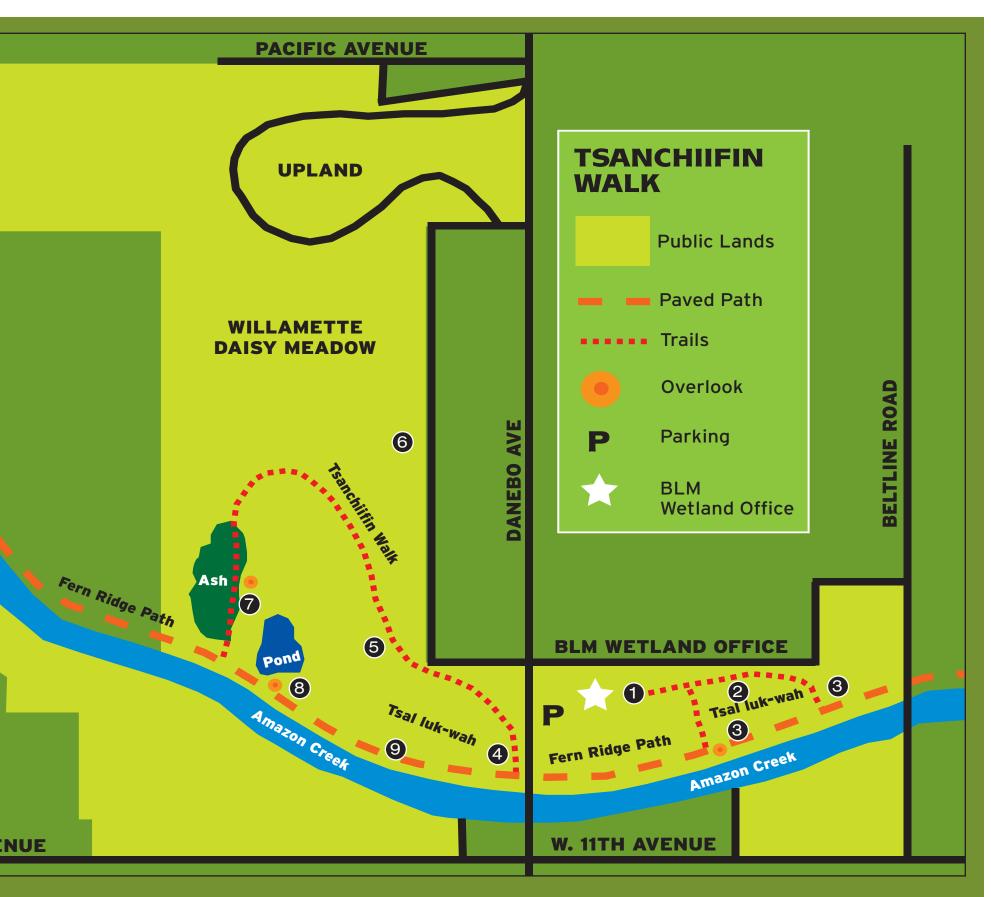




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Amazon Creek

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return at night and listen to the frog chorus in full voice from February into May.

**8.** Upon reaching the concrete Fern Ridge path, a side trip leads to another overlook of a large pond. Signs here explain some of the Kalapuyan Wetlands Association and point out some of the common plants and animals at this site. Watch and listen for red-winged blackbirds; the males can be observed singing while conspicuously perched atop small trees and wetland plants.

**9.** Here Amazon Creek has a side channel. This is a favorite spot in summer for finding dragonflies and their smaller relatives, the damselflies. If you watch on a warm day, you will see a large, red dragonfly, the flame skimmer. A large blue dragonfly with bright, blue eyes is the blue-eyed darner. The smaller damselflies are often closer to the ground in short grass. Our two most common species are the tule bluet and the Pacific forktail, and both are found here. The smaller red dragonflies are species in the genus known as the meadowhawks.

Now you can complete the loop trip and return to the wetland office. If you cross Danebo Avenue, be careful of traffic. As an alternative, you can follow the path under Danebo Avenue at the bridge and walk a short distance up the hill to the office.

You should have seen plenty of prairie wetland sights on your walk. Come back as often as you want and bring friends to share the subtle beauty offered by this Tsanchiifin gem within our national treasure, the West Eugene Wetlands. For more info, call 683-6494 or visit www.wewetlands.org

# **Calendar of Events**

May is American Wetlands Month, and WREN has free guided walks and presentations about wildflowers, birds, dragonflies, otters and more. For more info, call 683-6494 or visit www.wewetlands.org

May 3 Evening marsh walk

May 5 Celebrate the wetlands at the Eugene Public Library

 $\textbf{May 6} \quad \text{Wetland nature photography workshop}$ 

May 7 Wildflowers and wings family walk

May 10 Hynix stormwater tour

May 13 Willow Creek's 25th anniversary special events

May 17 The natural history of the river otter

May 24 Hynix wetland and upland walk

May 31 Discover butterflies program

June 3 Spring butterflies of the West Eugene Wetlands

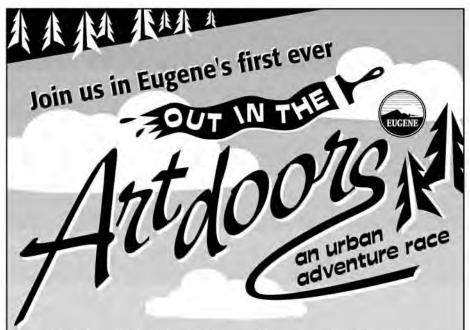
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# Anyone Can Run 63,360 Inches

The Eugene Challenge Mile: for the young, old, out-of-shape and even the sporty

By Tim O'Rourke

oe Colton is a convenience store clerk with a pack-a-day habit and an interest in binge drinking the weekends away. A former student-athlete who has traded his wind sprints for whiskey-and-waters, Colton prefers to drive the four blocks to work rather than walk under a shining sun. His once-boyish good looks are hidden under a beard that would make Chuck Norris blush and a mullet reminiscent of the "Full House" years. The last time this 30-year-old ran in a race, Tag Team's "Whoomp, There It Is" blared from his Walkman.

The prizes this year, for both male and female competitors, will be \$500 for first place; \$250 for second; \$100 for third. Prizes for certain age groups will also be awarded in a ceremony following the race, held in the Oakway Center. Expect live music from local band Swang, clowns for the kiddies and icy-cold refreshments for the adults. After running a mile, nothing's better than a margarita ... besides maybe water.

The Eugene Challenge Mile is also the night before the Prefontaine Classic, considered by many the preeminent annual track

The race is open to everyone: young, old, wheelchaired, happy, sad, professional, tattooed. Personal-best times won't be checked; Oakleys, short shorts and squirt bottles are not required.

Despite this impressive resume, organizers still want people like Colton to come out and walk, run or roll in the Second Annual Eugene Challenge Mile race on May 27. The race is open to everyone: young, old, wheelchaired, happy, sad, professional, tattooed. Personal-best times won't be checked; Oakleys, short shorts and squirt bottles are not required.

"Last year, the average person ran [the race] in seven, seven-and-a-half minutes," said Laura LaMena-Coll, one of the event's organizers. "There were quite a few children out there running with their parents and grandparents, and that's what we want."

Last year's event hosted more than 350 runners and walkers, many of whom were serious distance runners there to strut their stuff and collect cash prizes. Cash means the competition is fierce: Last year's winner finished with a time under 4:10. That's faster than a greased pig tossed down a Slip 'N Slide

meet in the country. LaMena-Coll expects athletes participating in the Classic to hang out at the Challenge Mile, as some did last year.

Yes, anyone can race ... even smokers and people who race wearing Flash outfits. But there is an entrance fee of \$12, although the better deal is probably \$20 for the fee and a hi-tech T-shirt, the kind that stays dry no matter how much of last night's rum you're sweating out.

That \$12 isn't only paying for your good time. Proceeds from the event go to Committed Partners for Youth, a Eugenebased nonprofit mentoring program for atrisk youth.

The Eugene Running Company is organizing the event, which will be held at the Oakway Center, in front of Umpqua Bank, on May 27. The kids' run starts at 6:30 pm and the Eugene Challenge Mile at 7 pm. For more information go to www.eugenerunningcompany.com

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# HIGH UP

# **FAR OUT**

A trip to Oregon's high desert

By James Johnston

reen pastures, lush forests, crystal clear rivers ... Oregon is hopelessly typecast. If this is all you've seen of our diverse state, it's time to make the long drive to the extreme southeast corner of Oregon. Driving south and east from Bend on Highway 20 takes you into basin and range country with a climate and geology that has more in with common with Nevada and Utah than the rest of our state. Comprising close to a quarter of the land area of Oregon, these lonely mountain ranges and dry sagebrush steppes contain just 1.4 percent of the state's population, with many areas receiving less than 10 inches of precipitation a year.

The best-known landmark of the area is the 50-mile long and 9,700-foot tall Steens Mountain Range. Unlike the elegant pyroclastic cones of the Cascades, built from ash and lava violently expelled from volcanoes, the Steens are a fault block range, an enormous wedge of earth shoved skyward about 10 million years ago. The western slope of the Steens is a relatively gentle ramp leading to a precipitous 5,000-foot drop to a desert basin in the east.

Unlike other fault block ranges further south, the Steens have been heavily glaciat-



You can experience some of the most spectacular scenery in Oregon with a two to three day backpacking trip up Big Indian Gorge to the top of Steens Mountain, descending back down Little Blitzen Gorge. Depending on the snow pack, late May to late June is the best time of year.

But this is a tough hike. Weather at the Steens can change minute to minute: sun one moment, snow the next. Lack of water, rattlesnakes and mosquitoes can be hazards or inconveniences depending on the time of year. Several extremely difficult off-trail

ranch in the United States. The Steens is still ranching country, although a landmark conservation compromise led to the Steens Mountain Cooperative Management and Protection Area in 2000, which created a 100,000-acre cow-free wilderness. Today, Frenchglen is built around the restored Frenchglen Hotel, which offers reasonable overnight stays and wholesome meals for people who want to enjoy the Steens with day hikes.

Continue south on Highway 205 another 9 miles to a well-signed road for the Steens heading east (a left turn). It's another 18 miles along a good gravel road to a bridge over the Blitzen River, then another 2.5 miles to South Steens Campground. The first part of the trip gives no indication of the spectacular scenery to come. At the far end of the family tent sites, pick up an old Jeep trail heading east. In 2.3 miles you'll cross Big Indian Creek, which is fast and at least kneedeep until August. Soon, vou'll cross Little Indian Creek and the trail will bend north before turning east into the heart of the gorge. The hiking is easy with dramatic views of cliffs and distant peaks. Sagebrush and juniper ground cover give way to wildflower meadows and aspen groves as the route gets steeper.

In another 4 miles, you'll reach the head of Big Indian Gorge — an enormous natural amphitheater surrounded on almost every side by steep cliffs, dramatic waterfalls and lush spring wildflowers. This is a great place to camp before attempting the scramble to the top of the mountain.

The best route out of the canyon is along the left side of one of the bigger branches of Big Indian Creek that curve south. You'll scramble up a series of benches to a saddle with a view of Wildhorse Lake, a brilliant emerald-green mountain tarn. From this point, turn north and scramble along a ridge-line until you reach a gravel spur road. At the end of this road, you can take short hiking paths to the top of the mountain or down to the lake. Keep an eye out for big horn sheep.

The view from the top of Steens Mountain is as dramatic as any in Oregon. Looking south and east over massive Wildhorse Canyon is the Alvord Desert, waterlogged from Steens runoff in the spring, a heat-blasted checkerboard of cracked playa in the summer. Further to the south are virtually unknown but incredibly scenic mountain ranges: The Pueblos, Trout Mountains, Oregon Canyon Mountains and, over the border in Nevada, the Santa Rosas. On the clearest days you can pick out the Three Sisters to the northwest with binoculars, about 160 miles distant.

After these exciting detours, return down the spur road until you reach the main Steens Loop Road. There are plenty of good campsites, and plenty of snowmelt to replenish your water supplies. To be safe, filter all water in the Steens.

In the morning, continue north to a spectacular overlook of Little Blitzen Gorge. Either before or after you reach this viewpoint, you can drop the 1,600 feet into Blitzen Gorge. If the descent looks too tough, you can return to your vehicle on the High Desert Trail, which parallels the north half of the Steens Loop Road.

Follow the Little Blitzen River past more spectacular scenery for another 9 miles to an intersection with the Loop Road and a short walk back to the South Steens Campground.

You'll never look at Oregon the same way again!



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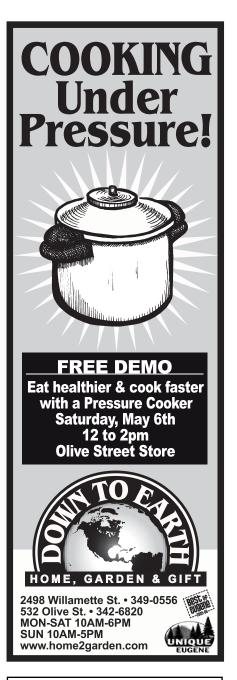
ed. The mountain's most remarkable natural features are enormous U-shaped gorges carved into the west side of the mountain, some of them more than a half mile deep, 5 miles wide and 25 miles long.

You can drive nearly to the top of the Steens along the 65-mile Steens Loop Road. Unfortunately this route is closed until late June or even later most years, and the best time to visit is in late spring.

scrambles should only be attempted by people in good shape with orienteering skills. Purchase a good map, consult guidebooks and the Burns BLM District for more detail and weather conditions, and come prepared!

To get to a good starting point, drive 60 miles south from Burns on Highway 205 to Frenchglen. The small hamlet is named for Pete French, who moved to the area in 1872. Within 30 years he built the single largest

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# **Bushwhacked** in Wyoming

Outdoor (mis)adventures in a red state gone wrong

By Erik Burge

ontemplating that epic fishing/climbing/backpacking trip to the remote, mountainous wilds of Wyoming this summer?

Well ... before you fall under the intoxicating "Adventure of a Lifetime" spell of all those soaring, snow-capped peaks, over-romanticized bronco busters and idyllic "dude" ranches, I got three words for you: 1) Dick Cheney, 2) gay bashers, and 3) freedom fries.

That's right, friends: Despite all those temptingly scenic, travel-friendly promotional images you might see featured on websites and travel brochures, Wyoming is bad for your health.

Just last spring, while drinking and driving way too fast down the east side of Togwotee Pass (about 40 miles between Jackson and Bum-Fuck-Nowhere) en route to a climbing trip in the Wind River Range, my vehicle struck and killed a bull elk that tore through the front end, knocked the engine off its block and shattered the wind-screen/dashboard to bits before launching me and about \$5,000 worth of climbing gear

conservative war-mongering ways, my chew-spittin', rabbit-eatin', bronco-bustin' captors seemed to tolerate (and, at times, even APPRECIATE) my "liberal" blue state values, anti-Bush/Cheney rhetoric and all-too-open-minded world view.

But then, one sweltering summer afternoon (after I'd chopped my daily 10 cords of wood, fed/watered the pigs and cleaned all their goddamned horse stalls) when I tried to explain how *Brokeback Mountain* should be viewed more as a traditional "love story" than merely just another "gay-rights movie," they roped me to a chair in a small, windowless shack and forced me to watch Fox News and "The O' Reilly Factor" for 48 consecutive hours without a single meal or even a pee break.

Fortunately, after the initial fury of the *Brokeback* incident died down, the following week passed peacefully and, despite my longing for home (not to mention organic baked tofu sandwiches and organic ginger snaps), I soon found myself settling into the ebb and flow of ranch life.

They taught me how to rope steers, cas-

with unsuspected obstacles. First, the notorious Bearded Ranger Lady (an extreme feminist/wilderness Nazi, God bless her soul!) slapped us with a \$10,000 fine for exceeding the posted stock limit. Then, about a mile farther, the tread became infested with giant, rat-sized crickets that spooked "Eddie the Asshole" (Slick's favorite mule) off the trail and some 200 feet down into the canyon.

Next morning, after the diabolical gastronomical menace known as "Curly" Lerouix stuffed us to the batwings with about 500 quarts of his Black Squirrel Chili, our pack train was forced off the trail at a narrow, badly eroded cliff traverse called "The Catwalk." A long ledge of trail had crumbled some 300 feet down into the river, leaving only a sheer cliff face above and a terrifying chasm below.

After lacing my beans with Altram and forcing me to suck down an illegal amount of Rock Star energy drinks, they tied me into a long-ass climbing rope, placed a cantankerous 70-pound gas-powered drill in my hands and instructed me (at gunpoint) to bore a "grid" of blasting holes into the highly unstable, badly overhanging cliff for their explosives.

For the better part of the next 20 days (savage winds, rain, hail, snow and lightening be damned!) I climbed and rappelled precariously (and with increasing paranoia) off the Cliff of Doom high above the river while boring 12-24 inch holes into the badly crumbling rock. Dust storms lacerated my



They weren't even looking for a ransom.

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make me 'see things differently' ...

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40 feet down the embankment where, thanks only to a conveniently placed clump of immature alpine firs, we finally managed to stop

Unfortunately, before I could get myself oriented (let alone fully extricate myself from the wreckage), I was bushwhacked by a posse of the meanest, most ill-informed, right-wing saddle tramps this side of Crawford, Texas.

Although my injuries (only minor cuts and bruises from what I could tell) seemed downright insignificant compared to the impact of the crash, when I pleaded with those no-good, jack-booted saddle tramps to take me to the nearest hospital or at least a telephone, not only did they refuse but they bound my arms and legs together with rope, threw a hood over my head and mounted me on a dangerously ornery, ill-tempered horse.

We rode fast and hard for days on end over terrain that proved so bumpy and butt-bruising that by the time my hood was finally removed (and the tube sock pulled out of my mouth), my rump was so saddle-sore that I could hardly make the 20 steps to the one-holer let alone sit in civilized fashion for any length of time upon the wooden bench.

Surprisingly, despite their staunch "creationist" beliefs, racial bigotry and ultra-

trate calves, and milk the goats. Despite the fact I hadn't eaten a proper green salad in nearly three weeks (the so-called "salad bar" at the nearest roadhouse was little more than a buffet of crackers, sesame sticks and dressing packets), I accepted (ever so grudgingly) my position as prisoner cum "barn boy."

Unfortunately, the glorious simplicity of ranch life hypnotized me into some sort of bucolic trance, and it took me nearly a month before I finally got around to inquiring just what the hell they intended to do with me. "Slick" Nard (the gang's unspoken leader) took me aside and laid it all out. They didn't want to kill me. They didn't want to hurt me. They weren't even looking for a ransom. What they really wanted was to "deprogram" me ... make me "see things differently" ... turn me into "one of their own."

Thankfully, early next afternoon, after Slick's conniving little brother Pete killed Chief Eagle Feather's eldest son in a squabble over a cache of stolen beaver pelts, the entire gang (me included) had to light out for their secret mountain hideout.

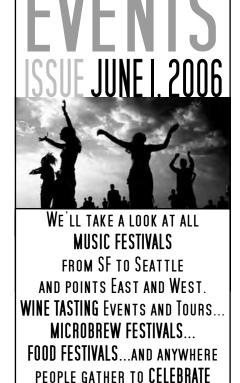
The remote, poorly maintained pack trail climbed slowly up a deep and spectacular river canyon flanked on both sides by steep, rock-strewn slopes that were booby-trapped corneas. Vicious plagues of giant, horseshit gnats chewed my face into a raw, festering pulp. Meanwhile, salvo after salvo of fist-to-football-sized rocks rained down on me from above, whistling dangerously close to my ears and, once, even bonking me on the helmet and knocking me out.

Fortunately, the evening before Master Blaster could hook up his final charges, a massive end-of-the-world thunderstorm rolled in, bombarding our camp with a spectacular (but blood curdling) all-night lightning attack. The flashes were so bright we could see each other's skeletons and the thunder claps so loud it sent shock waves shuddering through the ground.

The whole sky exploded and came crashing down on top of us. Sparks came shooting down the mountainsides. Stricken trees burst wildly into flame, enveloping the valley in a perfect, natural-made smoke screen.

As the entire gang cowered meekly (and/or drunkenly) in their tents, I took the opportunity to pack my bags, fill my pack with leftovers from the kitchen tent, chase off all the stock and escape back down the trail to blessed blue state freedom.

Editor's Note: Erik Burge, aka Trail Rat, makes his home along the trails of the Northwest. We asked him if any of this tale was fabricated, and he told us, "only the part about drinking and driving."



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# Free-Form: Sculpture

At Maude Kerns through May 26.

xhibitions focusing on sculpture are unfortunately relatively uncommon. When they do come around, they make us wish for more, as with *Free Form:* Sculpture at the Maude Kerns Art Center. This juried show features works by a dozen artists from around the country in a wide range of media. Sizes vary from jewelry to room-dominating pieces, genres from abstract to representational.

**Rex Silvernail**'s (Washington) wood pieces fully command the viewer's attention.

On a raised stage, a giant inverted comma curves through space with the expressive elegance of calligraphy. Then it recreates itself in negative.

Viewed like this in profile, Silvernail's *Orchatoo* imbues line with three-dimensionality while fully exploiting its traditional attributes of width and weight. At the same time, it juxtaposes positive against negative space, a solidity of form against immaterial shape.

Walk around it, and the sculpture transforms itself into something altogether different: a golden seed opening and germinating; an abstracted animal form with flaring flanks and snakelike tail; a unicellular organism whose long cillium undulates in rhythmic motion. As the angle of view alters, *Orchatoo* leads us from the purity of abstract form and clean fluid line to erotic overtones.

Persian Gulf 1 (Cornered, No End In Sight) is a three-dimensional line drawing where the line loops around endlessly. "It should have been placed in a corner," Silvernail said, "so as to achieve the pun visually." Combining line and volume in a powerful yet delicate way, Ode to HCW #3 is also about Iraq. It honors H.C. Westerman, a veteran from WW II and the Korean War who later became an artist and denounced the evil of war. Imprisoned within vertical steel-bars, caught in a downward spiral of destruction, a spherical honeycomb of mulberry paper stands for a beautiful but fragile world.

AFS is a memorial to Silvernail's father, whose initials provided it with its title. The inside/outside dichotomy that informs this piece is one of Silvernail's recurrent concerns. "Sometimes the content is more important than the surface," he explained. "My father was strong and rugged on the outside, sensitive on the inside." Reminiscent in form of a Roman milestone or a stylized menhir, AFS appears solid, black and impregnable, contrasting with a polished mandala-like design within.

Like Martin Puryear, with whom he shares a definite post-Minimalist kinship, Silvernail constructs rather than carves his sculptures, has studied traditional joinery (in Silvernail's case with artists from the Gitxsan nation in British Columbia, thanks to a Fulbright fellowship) and values craftsmanship. Although he came to sculpture in mid-life only, his work belongs with the better-known.

**Paul McCoy**'s (Texas) ceramic sculptures explore the relationship between highly stylized abstract forms. Color and value contrast provide further formal parameters. This is no mere formalist enterprise, however. Following

their titles, which are mercifully brief and to the point, these pieces refer to, and evoke with wit and economy, either real objects (*Egg*, *Socket*) or social situations (*Encounter 1* and 2 and the particularly delightful *Ritual Behavior*). Beautifully crafted, McCoy's work is aesthetically extremely pleasing.

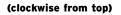
Although **Jonathan Hils** (Oklahoma) uses industrial materials and processes, his airy forms are simple and organic, all of them suggested by means of a lacy metal exoskeleton. *Pod* is reminiscent of an ancient bottle-shaped vessel lying on its side. *Side*, a wall piece, might be the missing half of a leaf or a human head.

With Randy Polumbo (New York), we abandon any search for form and aesthetic appeal in favor of quirky kinetic assemblages of unlikely found objects and recycled materials. Six inflated condoms fastened to a small motorized pump move like fat stubby tentacles in a sluggish current (Rover 3). In Manifest II, another inflated condom, tied like a roast and fitted with solar cells and electronics, becomes a blimp in the sky where a Probe also hangs, its rubber nipple armed with a trio of solar cells, its rear-end ornamented with the triple petals of a pink helix. Delightfully absurdist, Polumbo's work takes its place among the various descendants of Marcel Duchamp.

**Hanna Oren-Huppert**'s (Netherlands) figurative bronze pieces, meanwhile, find their ancestry in the much imitated work of Giacometti. They are likeable, but we have encountered them before.

Some of the works on display seem ill-

chosen for this exhibit, as neighboring excellence exacerbates weaknesses that might in lesser shows be forgiven. Thus Mary Russell's (Georgia) ceramic appears too cute and Beth Kennedy's (Montana), in both execution and symbolism, too crude. Jewelry simply doesn't belong here, especially when represented by one lone sample. This mars the unity of the exhibition and would trivialize it were it not for the sheer force of the better works.



Ode to HCW #3, steel, wood & paper sculpture by Rex Silvernail

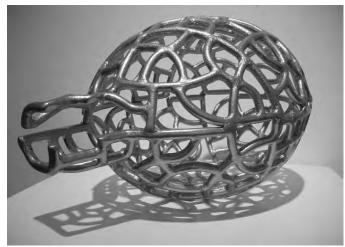
*Orchatoo*, wood sculpture by Rex Silvernail

Ritual Behavior, ceramic sculpture by Paul McCoy

**Pod**, cast & powder-coated iron sculpture by Jonathan Hils

Probe, nipple, solar cells & electronics sculpture by Randy Polumbo













# The Unthinkable

Five years later, United 93 arrives in theaters.

UNITED 93: Written and directed by Paul Greengrass. Starring Khalid Abdalla, Lewis Alsamari, David Alan Bashe, Omar Berdouni, Trish Gates, Kate Jennings Grant, Jamie Harding, Gregg Henry and Bill Walsh. Universal, 2006, R. 111 minutes.

ept. 11th, 2001, was so unthinkable that we don't even have a name for it. We refer to the attacks as "9/11" because the simple austerity of a calendar date reminds us how stunningly unprepared we were. It's the nominal equivalent of utter speechlessness. The terrible ingenuity of coordinated hijackings seemed beyond our comprehension, and this collective failure of imagination is made painfully obvious in the new film United 93.

The movie takes place in approximately real time. It's a pivotal decision by the film-

monitoring the situation by telephone and whiteboard. Even the hijackers, having commandeered the cockpit, seem surprised when their monitor displays the news of the World Trade Center. They react with a joy that suggests they expected failure.

NORAD comes off as alert but impotent, waiting for the shoot-down authority that never comes. Finally, and bravely, they flout chain-of-command protocol by launching two F-16s without clearance. The planes take off unarmed, headed for Europe by mistake.

United 93 is an important film — I might even say a necessary film — because it attempts to depict the complexity of 9/11 without any visible agenda. Each year, studios spend enormous sums of money to make us forget the world we live in. United 93 is an

# *United 93* is most impressive for the mistakes it doesn't make.

makers and a primary reason this film is so successful. United 93 has the brisk set-up of a crime drama but builds with the authority of a documentary. We move freely between several isolated points-of-view: the hijackers at prayer in their hotel rooms; war games at NORAD command center; morning briefings at FAA headquarters; and various air traffic control centers. For everyone but the terrorists, it's just another Tuesday.

Two things strike you as the passengers take their seats. The first is that every person on the aircraft will, in less than two hours, be dead. More important, of course, is that they're dead already. The second thing you realize is how alive they are, requesting a pillow here, taking medication there, planning an upcoming vacation. Our awareness of their fate can't be overlooked, but these important scenes have a light touch consistent throughout the film. (I felt the hijackers were cast as more youthful than they actually were, possibly to increase our sympathy. All four terrorists are boyishly handsome.)

On the ground, shock and disbelief run rampant. At the woefully unprepared FAA. the denial is institutionalized. Administrators wait around for "hard information" while antidote to forgetting. As a result, it isn't for everyone. At the core of United 93 is a proposition that some audiences may find upsetting: The movie asks you to consider the possibility that the hijackers were as human as the passengers and crew.

When you consider how troubling the events of 9/11 were, and how recent they still feel, United 93 is most impressive for the mistakes it doesn't make. There are no movie stars in the film. (Several FAA and NORAD characters actually play themselves.) The filmmakers allow the story to tell itself, largely avoiding gratuitous elements — there are no loved ones mourning inconsolably or exterior shots of the plane's final descent - so common to Hollywood films.

United 93 ends the way it must end. Slowly, via cell and in-flight phones, the passengers come to the stark realization that their plane is a flying bomb. Hurriedly, desperately, they organize themselves. Carrying only utensils and hot water, they surge toward the cockpit in a scene as harrowing as it is uplifting. You want them to make it, to redeem a negligent bureaucracy and restore the faith of a nation. In the end, of course, that is exactly what they did.



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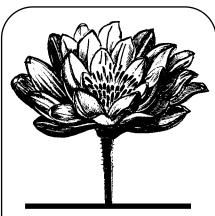
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# Cock and Bull

A movie about making a movie about making a...

TRISTRAM SHANDY: A Cock and Bull Story: Directed by Michael Winterbottom. Written by Frank Cottrell Bryce, credited as Martin Hardy. Starring Steve Coogan, Rob Brydon, Kelly Macdonald, Jeremy Northam, Ian Hart, Naomie Harris, Shirley Henderson, Dylan Moran, Stephen Fry and Gillian Anderson. Revolution Films/Picturehouse, 2006. R. 91 minutes.

here to start with Michael Winterbottom's topsy turvy, madly funny, ingenious and inspired *Tristram Shandy: A Cock and Bull Story*? Should I tell you how good the actors are or how cleverly the not-quite-reality of the film is revealed? Shall I go in circles, starting in the middle and swinging back around to something approximating the beginning, as the film does?

Tristram Shandy is an adaptation of a book that someone once decided was "unfilmable" (nearly every mention of the movie tosses around this damning word). The novel is, roughly speaking, an autobiography beginning at conception, and thus the movie attends to the circumstances surrounding Tristram's birth, narrated by Tristram himself. It also offers a handful of idiosyncratic characters, including Uncle Toby (with his embarrassing, intimate war wound) and Walter Shandy, Tristram's father, a man obsessed with the use of modern implements in his son's birth

But the film doesn't start there. It starts with a pair of actors having their makeup done. Both men are playing themselves, but not themselves; they are characters who share the actors' names and whose neurotic banter is painfully, hilariously realistic. Rob Brydon, who plays Uncle Toby and looks vaguely like a haggard Hugh Grant, obsesses mildly about whether his role counts as supporting or is a

the size of their ... shoes

"featured co-lead." Steve Coogan, who plays both Tristram and Walter Shandy, snipes at Brydon about the color of his teeth while worrying about the shape of his own nose.

Like the book on which it's based (a novel about writing a novel), *Tristram Shandy* is a movie about making a movie, a tale of filmmaking with nervous stars, reluctant financiers, tricky relationships, a devoted crew and an admirably flexible director. The parts of the film that come (one assumes) from the novel are engaging and quirkily funny, but the story of the film shoot, of the balance of art and life, will work magic on film fans.

As you watch the filmmakers negotiate every detail — should their historical expert have soldiers calling each other by historically accurate names during the battle? — you may find yourself wondering how any film ever gets made. Decisions are made in the midst of shooting as director Mark (Jeremy Northam), writer Joe (Ian Hart) and Coogan discuss what to include and why, exactly, they're trying to make the film in the first place. "Because it's funny?" offers one man. "Is that enough?"

asks another.

The film is funny; production assistant Jennie (Naomie Harris) has some heartfelt vet hysterical riffs on Bresson and Fassbinder, and some of the book's odder moments are taken literally, giving us scenes like the one in which Gillian Anderson peers at a tiny Coogan in a model womb. But the way Winterbottom weaves the troublesome, wonderful, messy details of real life - egos, money, babies, relationships, rivals, colleagues - into a tangled story about successfully making a film entertains on a level beyond laughter. Whether or not it's actually reflective of Winterbottom's experience, the movie gives the impression that we've been let in on a secret world, given a revealing, cheerfully realistic yet cockeyed view of how it all works (or doesn't) for the adventurous director — or for anyone trying to create something original, thoughtful and smart. Part This is Spinal Tap, part postmodern period piece, Tristram Shandy: A Cock and Bull Story is fiercely funny, devilishly sweet and dryly perceptive. Don't miss it, and don't leave before the credits finish rolling.

# Sibling Drudgery

**THE SISTERS**: Directed by Arthur Allan Seidelman. Executive produced by Carolyn S. Chambers. Starring Maria Bello, Erika Christensen, Mary Stuart Masterson, Elizabeth Banks, Eric McCormack, Rip Torn, Alessandro Nivola and Chris O'Donnell. Arclight Films, 2006. R. 113 minutes.

ost of the action in Arthur Allan Seidelman's film, based on a play that is in turn "suggested by" Anton Chekhov's *The Three Sisters*, takes place in a faculty lounge so ostentatious it doesn't simply suggest the characters' uppercrust world, it screams about it. Likewise, the characters in this tiresome psychodrama howl about their

intentions, wounds and neuroses, and if they're not up to the hollering, Gary (Eric McCormack) is: A bitter politics professor, he hangs around saying the nasty things the others aren't quite willing to admit.

The Sisters' thin storyline concerns the Prior family: pretty, crazy Marcia (Maria Bello); serious Olga (Mary Stuart Masterson); the baby, Irene (Erika Christensen); and their brother Andrew (a sadly meek Alessandro Nivola). Brought together for Irene's annual "surprise" birthday party, the fam-

ily dissolves into fighting and drama (an affair, a meth overdose) that is less a plot than a rickety frame on which to hang overwrought conversations about truth, love, lies and selfanalysis. It seems unfairly malicious to make these damaged, lonely women so utterly unlikable, but the script just keeps the nastiness coming; only tired Olga and divided but relative-

ly honest Vincent (Tony Goldwyn) might elicit sympathy.

Writer Richard Alfieri's adaptation of his own play seems to have left one foot in the theater. Things are simply different on film in ways that are not sufficiently taken into account here; when a close-up shows the rage and sadness in Bello's eyes and clenched jaw, five minutes of stilted, mannered dialogue about how angry she is feels

like overkill. When things get out of hand in a hospital waiting room, it's conveniently and unbelievably empty of other anxious families

The Sisters was filmed in Eugene, making it sort of a curio for those of us who live here, but even the setting is hard to swallow. The UO as a Manhattan campus? Not quite. Despite its generally talented cast, *The Sisters* is a glum slog through one family's history – a family you really don't want to be trapped with for two hours. – *Molly Templeton* 







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**OPENING OR RETURNING:** 

An American Haunting: Sissy Spacek and Donald Sutherland star in the multigenerational story of a family haunted by Tennessee's notorious Bell Witch. Directed by Courtney Solomon – whose previous credits include *Dungeons and Dragons*. R. Cinemark.

Fed Up! Genetic Engineering, Industrial Agriculture and Sustainable Alternatives: An overview of our current food production system, what our options are and what we can do to change the way we grow food. Shown with forest defense clips from around the world. Plays at 7 pm May 9 at the Lorax Manner, 1648 Alder. Free. Final Destination 3: Yet another James Wong tale of a band of

Final Destination 3: Yet another James Wong tale of a band of friends narrowly cheating death (this time by roller-coaster, no less!), and the grim reaper's subsequent pursuit of them. Starring Mary Elizabeth Winstead and Ryan Merriman. R. Movies 12.

Hills Have Eyes, The: Family road trip goes terribly wrong in this take of Wes Craven's 1977 original, as the travelers become stranded in an atomic zone with a mutant family. Yikes! R. Movies 12. Hoot: An adaptation of Carl Hiassen's popular kids' book in which a trio of friends try to save a burrowing owl habitat from being developed by a chain restaurant. PG. Cinemark. Cinema World.

Joyeux Noël: An Oscar nominee for Best Foreign Film, Joyeux Noël imagines what happened on Christmas Eve, 1914, in the midst of WWI, when men from different armies put down their weapons and came out of their trenches to shake hands and fraternize. PG-13. Bijou.

hands and fraternize. PG-13. Bijou. **Mission Impossible 3**: Can Tom Cruise dodge the mountains of press about his personal life – er, many guys with guns and explosives in his way – and save the woman he loves from an impressively creepy Philip Seymour Hoffman? R.

Cinemark. Cinema World.

Pink Floyd: Live at Pompeli:
Director's cut of Adrian Maben's
1972 concert film which was shot
in an old Pompeii amphitheater. G.
Bijou LateNite.

Poseidon: When a huge wave capsizes a luxury liner on New Year's Eve, a small group of passengers must fight for their lives. Josh Lucas, Jacinda Barrett, Kurt Russell and Richard Dreyfuss star in Wolfgang Petersen's (Das Boot) remake of The Poseidon Adventure. PG-13. Sneak preview at 10 pm May 11 at Cinemark.

Queer Women's Expository Entertainment Film Festival: Four nights of classic, award-winning, animated or brand new queer women's films. May 4-7 at the UO. See Calendar for complete schedule. Free.

Reproductive Justice Film Festival: Planned Parenthood presents a trio of films addressing reproductive health and rights: Rosita, The Abortion Diaries and Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness. Plays at 6:30 pm May 6 at DIVA. \$5 adv., \$7 dos.

Sisters, The: Director Arthur Allan Seidelman's film, shot partially on the UO campus, follows three sisters (and their brother) through a time of revelation and drama. Maria Bello, Mary Stuart Masterson and Erika Christensen head up a strong cast that makes the most of weak material. R. Bijou. See

Slither: James Gunn's (Dawn of the Dead) creepy horror film finds strange critters appearing in a small American town. Stars Michael Rooker, Elizabeth Banks and Nathan Fillion, who was last seen aboard Serenity. R. Bijou LateNite.

Viy: In director Konstantin Yershov's 1967 film, a young priest

Yershov's 1967 film, a young priest must spend three nights alone with the corpse of a witch over whose wake he has been ordered to preside. In Russian with English subtitles. Plays at 7 pm May 10 in 111 Pacific. UO. Free.

Widespread Panic: Live from the Atlanta Fox Theatre: An exclusive Big Screen Concerts event brings the popular band to local screens via satellite from Atlanta, Ga. Plays at 5 pm May 9 at Cinemark. \$15.

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Akeelah and the Bee: 11-year-old Akeelah (Keke Palmer) has a gift for words. Though her mother (Angela Bassett) isn't behind her, Akeelah (with the help of tutor Laurence Fishburne) enters spelling bees, eventually winning a chance to compete nationally. PG. Cinemark.

American Dreamz: Satirical spin on American Idol stars Hugh Grant as the bitter judge of a singing contest, Mandy Moore as a determined contestant and Sam Golzari as a show tune-loving terrorist. Directed by Paul Weitz (yes, he of American Pie). PG-13. Movies 12. Online archives.

Benchwarmers, The: Got picked last for kickball? So did these guys. David Spade, Jon Heder (aka Napoleon Dynamite) and Rob Schneider play grown-up geeks who start a baseball tournament to get revenge on nasty Little League teams. PG-13. Cinemark. Cinema World.

Curious George: The Man in the Yellow Hat (Will Ferrell) tries his best to tame Curious George in this animated version of the beloved children's series. The inquisitive chimp passes the time by sipping lattes, ruining a woman's bubble bath and getting carried away by a bunch of balloons. Other voices include Drew Barrymore, Eugene Levy, Joan Plowright and Dick Van Dyke G. Movies 12

Dyke. G. Movies 12. **Eight Below**: Two men fighting for their lives in the stormy Arctic are air-rescued but must leave their loyal dogs behind. PG. Movies 12.

Firewall: As creator of a state-ofthe-art security system for a Seattle-area bank, Jack Stanfield (Harrison Ford) has cemented his reputation as a man who's thought of everything. But when a criminal (Paul Bettany) finds a way into Jack's personal life by targeting his family, everything Jack holds dear is suddenly at stake. PG-13. Movies 12.

Fun With Dick and Jane: Jim Carrey and Tea Leoni star as middle-class thieves in Dean Parisot's remake of the limp 1977 comedy starring Jane Fonda and George Segal. Also stars Alec Baldwin and Assis Harman BC 12 Maying 12

Angie Harmon. PG-13. Movies 12.

Hoodwinked: Animated comedy gives Little Red Riding Hood's adventures at Grandmother's house a real kick in the seat. Stars Glenn Close, Anne Hathaway, Patrick Warburton and Jim Belushi.
PG. Movies 12. Online archives.

Ice Age 2: The Meltdown: Manny (Ray Romano), Sid (John Leguizamo) and Diego (Denis Leary) are back for another adventure. The animals are excited that the ice is melting – it's a paradise of water parks! But where is all that new water going to go? PG. Cinemark. Cinema World.

Inside Man: Spike Lee's new film is a hostage drama in which a tough cop (Denzel Washington) matches wits with a bank robber (Clive Owen), with Jodie Foster the situation's wild card. R. Movies 12.

Munich: Steven Spielberg's already controversial film about the secret Mossad assassins who tracked down the masked Palestinian terrorists who murdered 11 Israeli athletes at the 1972 Olympics. Screenplay by Tony Kushner (Angels in America), starring Eric Bana, Geoffrey Rush, Daniel Craig, Mathieu Kassovitz and Ciaran Hinds. Underrated film is seen as a vengeance flick, but it's really about what happens to a man (Eric Bana, who should have been nominated for an Academy Award), whose loyalty to Israel is without question but who holds disturbing doubts about his actions. Very highest recommendations. R. Movies 12. Online archives.

Pink Panther: Bumbling French Inspector Jacques Clousseau (Steve Martin) must solve the murder of a world-famous soccer coach and catch the thief who stole his priceless diamond ring in this prequel to the 1964 classic. Also stars Kevin Kline, Jean Reno & Beyonce. PG. Movies 12.

RV: In Barry Sonnenfeld's latest film, Robin Williams tells his family they're going on vacation to Hawaii – but instead packs his wife and kids into an RV and heads to Colorado. Jeff Daniels heads up a wacky bunch of full-time campers. It's a sure bet there are hijinks involved. PG-13. Cinema World. Cinemark.

Scary Movie 4: Director David Zucker (Airplane!) takes on the fourth entry in the seemingly endless series, which sends up War of the Worlds, The Grudge, The Village, Saw and more. Stars Anna Faris and Regina Hall with an outlandish array of celebrity cameos, including Shaq, Dr. Phil and Lil' John. PG-13. Cinemark. Cinema World.

Sentinel, The: When TV stars attack! Uh, just kidding. But Keifer Sutherland ("24") and Eva Longoria ("Desperate Housewives") co-star with Michael Douglas, who plays a Secret Service agent who may or may not be trying to murder the president. PG-13. Cinemark. Online

**Silent Hill:** Sure, it's based on a video game, but it stars Radha Mitchell (*High Art*) and Sean Bean. Shouldn't that be good for something? Mitchell plays a mother whose quest to heal her terminally ill daughter takes a detour to the creepy titular town. R. Cinemark. Cinema World.

**Sixteen Blocks:** NYPD detective Jack Mosley (Bruce Willis) has one last job for the day: take petty criminal Eddie Bunker (Mos Def) from lockup to the courthouse where he will testify in a grand jury case. R. Movies 12.

case. R. Movies 12. **Stick It**: From the writer of *Bring It On* comes this slightly absurd-sounding film in which a rebellious former gymnastics star, forced to return to the world of gymnastics after trouble with the law, butts heads with a hard-nosed coach (Jeff Bridges). *Bring It On the Floor Mat?* Nah, their title is better. PG-13. Cinemark.

**Take the Lead:** Stars Antonio Banderas as Pierre Dulane, a New York City ballroom dance teacher who taught inner-city kids to move their feet. PG-13. Cinemark.

Thank You for Smoking: Jason Reitman (the son of director Ivan Reitman) directs Aaron Eckhart and a strong supporting cast in this sharp-eyed, satirical look at the tobacco industry. R. Bijou. Online archives.

Tristam Shandy: A Cock and Bull Story: Instead of a straight adaptation of a supposedly unfilmable novel, Michael Winterbottom (24 Hour Party People) created a post-modern film that turns into a story about the making of ... itself. Sort of. Steve Coogan, stars as "Steve Coogan," with Rob Brydon, Gillian Anderson and Kelly Macdonald. R. Bijou. See review this issue.

**Ultraviolet:** Sci-fi fantasy stars Milla Jovovich and Cameron Print PC-13 Movies 12

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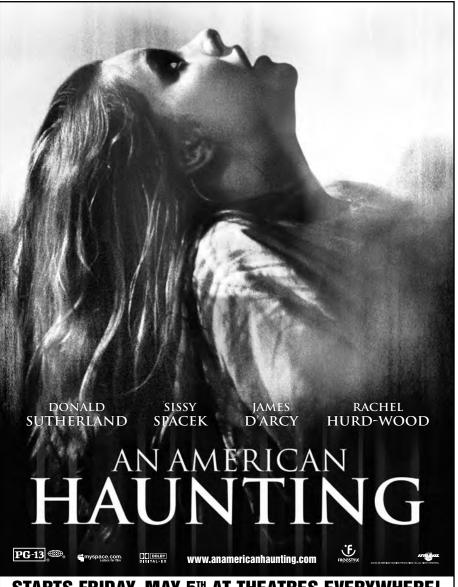
United 93: The first of this year's 9/11 movies, director Paul Greengrass's (*The Bourne Supremacy*) film looks at how things might have happened when United Flight 93 went down over Pennsylvania. R. Cinemark. See review this issue.

wild, The: Keifer Sutherland and Janeane Garofalo are among the actors voicing critters on a quest to rescue one of their own, who somehow got accidentally shipped off to the jungle. Madagascar, anyone? (William Shatner appears as a wicked wildebeest.) G. Cinemark.

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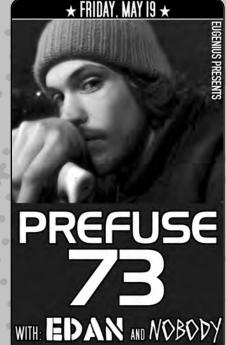












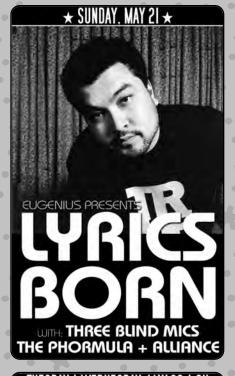








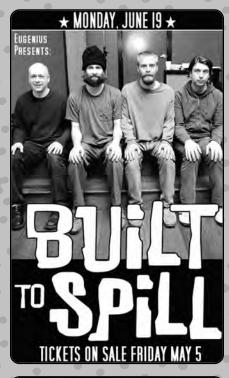






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# **Dance Floor Northwest**

ORAC: Representing a wealth of talented Northwest electronic music artists

RAC ... sounds like the vacuum cleaner manufacturer, right? Oreck? No, ORAC. Caro spelled backwards, the robot from the BBC's Blake's 7, and the record label showcasing a slew of talented Northwest electronic music artists this Saturday at the Indigo District.

ORAC's "About Us" section of their website reads more like a treatise on the duality of electronic music than a short bio. The Seattle-based electronic music label says its mission is to provide "experimental work which can also function on the dance floor." In taking gargantuan liberties with this generalization, I believe electronic music (as a generic term to embrace everything from techno to dub) can historically be grouped into two camps, the experimental and the functional. Where the "experimental" element can be linked to the technology behind the music and the "functional" traced to the music's disco/dancehall lineage, ORAC strives to champion the merits of both.

But ORAC's musical credo is hardly anomalous in the Northwest. In fact, in a way it has defined the region's worldwide reputation as a provider of quality electronic music that can both motivate a dance floor and challenge the ear. Case in Caro straddles the acid hook and rides it to the very end. It bubbles at the beginning, ducking and jabbing until it grows into a twitchy little gremlin. It could be said that as a whole, *The Return of Caro* shadows he has a whole theoretical framework defending it and all of electronic music's other orphaned children). At the same time, Strategy's live conceptual DJ sets as well as his dub and ambient releases (for



point: *The Return of Caro*, the latest album by ORAC co-founder Caro (aka Randy Jones), reflects the hedonistic flare of great techno/house producers like Marshall Jefferson and Frankie Knuckles, while at the same time throwing out more contemplative and modern pieces a la Matthew Dear or Swayzak.

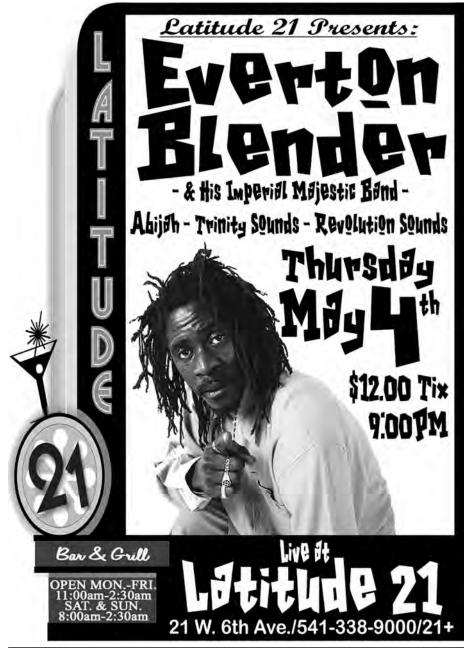
The Return of Caro's coup de grâce, "Can't Tell Why," piggybacks a prominent acid line that drops right into a classic deep house piano synth-hook accompanied by Caro's soulful Alexander East-like vocals. On the other side of the coin, on the album's last track, "My Little Pony,"

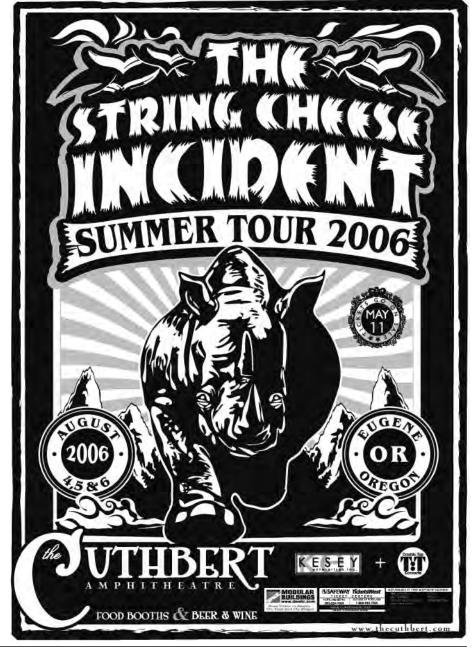
all the best moments of Derrick Carter's Classic Records and that Caro undoubtedly reflects the osmotic tutelage of the Chicago house great.

Another ORAC representative attending the showcase, Strategy (aka Paul Dickow), has taken that experimental as functional philosophy beyond his music and applied it to his own record label, Community Library, as well as his immensely successful politico-dance night, Community Library Club. Evidenced by his '04 ORAC EP Super Vamp, this Portland resident has absolutely no qualms about passionately embracing disco (in fact

notable labels like Outward Music Company, Tigerbeat6's Shockout and Kranky) reflect a more avant-garde approach to music and sound.

Solenoid (aka DJ Broken Window), who will release his new ORAC LP *Supernature* at the end of May, will round out the night's bill with an equally accessible dance floor vibe. Another Portlander, Solenoid melds the IDM stylings of Black Dog with the indulgent Germanic techno of Kompakt Records on his forthcoming album. Eugene, take pride in the Northwest's electronic music talent and go out and represent at the Indigo.







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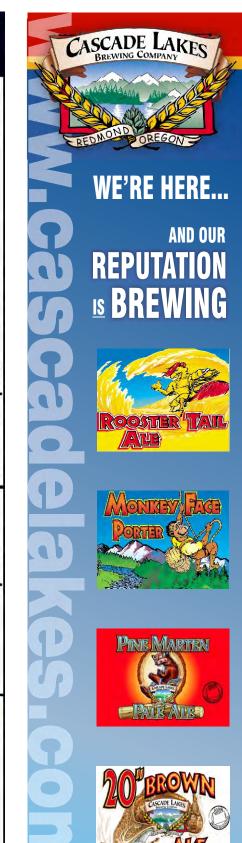
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# Born and Bred in the Euge

Hometown recording artist Mat Kearney drops first major-label album.

at Kearney spent his teenage years in Eugene playing soccer, not the guitar. He worked at Civic Stadium cleaning up after Emeralds games, not rock shows. He wanted to be a writer, not a musician.

But the city's artistic and free-thinking culture had an impact on Kearney, who last week released his first major-label album, *Nothing Left to Lose*, on Columbia Records.

"Eugene and its approach to the arts and expression made me comfortable wanting to express myself," Kearney says from a Philadelphia tour stop.

Kearney (pronounced CAR-knee) had no problem expressing himself on *Nothing*. The album convinced AOL Music to feature Kearney in their emerging artists series, Breakers, which has alumni including John Legend, 50 Cent and Michelle Branch.

Despite his recent success, Kearney's laid-back personality comes through in conversation as it does in his alt-folk, hip hop-tinged music. "My management will call me and tell me good things are happening. I won't necessarily know what they mean, but it makes me happy."

Five years ago there were no calls from "management" to say good things were hap-

pening. Kearney packed up and moved, on a whim, from Chico, Calif., to Nashville, Tenn., where he still lives. He spent his first nights in Nashville sleeping in the bed of a truck in a school parking lot until he upgraded to an apartment complete with resident mice.

Kearney recorded demos in his apartment, landed a record deal and played open mic nights with singer-songwriters Nickel Creek and Mindy Smith. But when on tour, he couldn't dictate where he'd play.

"I'd be complaining down I-5, driving past my hometown, not being able to stop and play," he says. "But I fought for Eugene on this tour."

So he'll be stopping. "I used to go see Modest Mouse and the Cherry Poppin' Daddies play at the WOW Hall when I was in high school. It's kind of funny that I'm playing there now," he says.

Kearney's touring has taken him from New York to L.A.; Portland to Pittsburgh. But he says the cities he visits all have their individual personalities. Eugene is no different.

"Eugene is one big counterculture. When I come back and walk through Saturday Market, I realize how much different Eugene is from the rest of the world ... which is probably why I love it."



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# **Psychic Tantric Juiu Jazz**

As I was about to listen to Trillian Green's CD Metamorphosis, a commercial came on for the TV show "The Office." Steve Carell, who plays an obnoxious office manager, was accusing an employee of trying to "harshen the office mellow."

It was such an odd turn of phrase that it kept running through my head as the CD played. If any music group is guaranteed not to harshen the office mellow, it's Trillian Green. In fact, they're more likely to mellow the office mellow to the point of everyone just disconnecting the phones and kicking back.

With their name, cover art and band membership, I was expecting to hear a Celtic outfit, but Trillian Green's sound falls under the broader umbrella of world music. Christine Gunn on cello and Ben Klein on flute take turns weaving exotic melodies while Jarrod Kaplan fills out the bottom with his drumming on the African djembe.

The musicians joined forces in 1994 and began performing at the Oregon Country Fair.

Soon after, they took their act to Seattle, where they became part of a burgeoning acoustic music scene, the yin to the yang of the grunge music culture that dominated then.

For the next few years, the band did the usual cycle of endless touring between recording a live CD. Psycho Tantric Juiu Jazz. and the follow-up Metamorphosis. But as so often happens as a band nears a breakthrough, the band members grew apart in search of new interests.

After a six-year break, the band reunited for a performance at the Faerieworlds Festival. Though the performance was a success, the band is still something of a side project for the musicians, who seem content to reclaim the old magic in rare performances throughout the Northwest.

Trillian Green mellows the harsh at 8 pm Friday, May 5 at Cozmic Pizza. \$10-\$15 sliding scale. - John Ginn

# Simple Gifts

Guy Clark doesn't tour in support of his albums the way other artists do. He works without a set list, accompanied by one fellow

Eugene-area turntablists DJ Soulution. DV8, and DJ

musician and no gimmicks. His performances don't look or feel radically different from one tour to the next. But Clark's devotees won't be at his show to hear a concept album or to check out the new reverb on his guitar. They'll come for the colorful, poetic tales and crystallized moments he captures with homespun elegance that has earned him iconic status in the singer-songwriter scene.

Smuve turn

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the tables on

"I'll be doing some material from the new album, but it's all the same tour," Clark confesses in his low, Texas-born drawl. "I play whatever I feel like, whatever feels right."

Clark may not have the name recognition of some songwriters of his genre, but hum a few bars of "Desperados Waiting for a Train," and someone is bound to exclaim, "Hey, I love that song!" His fame is subtle, but his work transcends time and genre the way only a true classic can. When asked how he feels about being characterized as a legend, Clark responds with modest pragmatism befitting an artist of his depth and character.

"It's flattering, but it doesn't make any difference. I still have to get up in the morning and write, and it doesn't make it any easier. It's nice, but it's not why I do it. "

When not engaged in the craft of songwriting, Clark practices another craft requiring patience and skill: building guitars. "It's kind of a hobby for me, something I enjoy when I have a little time," he explains. "I play one of the [guitars] I built every day. Some of them I give away."

Clark insists that his latest gift to the music world, Workbench Songs (due out in August), won't hold any surprises. "It's just more Guy Clark songs," he says offhandedly. Translated for new listeners, that means it will be worth every penny. Guy Clark plays at 7:30 pm Saturday, May 6 at the Jaqua Concert Hall. \$19/\$23/\$27. –Adrienne van der Valk

# Remix This, Bach!

What do you get when you cross an 18th century composer, a bunch of vinyl records and a hip hop beat as the percussion? Well, besides a Jedi Mind Tricks record or a lot of old classical music fans screaming blasphemy, you get the Oregon Bach Festival Remix.

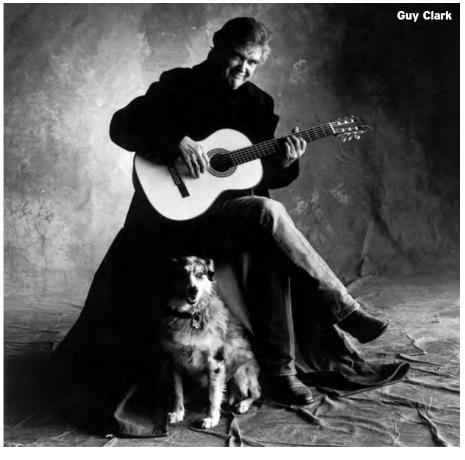
The Bach Festival, long known for its traditional interpretations of Bach's repertoire as well as certain freestyle efforts, has decided to undergo a theme of "Transformation" this year. The Remix is one of the premier events showcasing the theme. Three DJs - DJ Soulution, DJ Smuve and DV8, who won the April 11 preliminary competition - will go head-to-head-tohead in a battle of blending two genres at opposite ends of the musical spectrum.

"They each have a copy of the same piece of vinyl, which is the 'Little Fugue in G Minor' by Bach," said George Evano, director of communications for the festival, "and they'll have five minutes to come up with a new version of it in whatever creative ways that they can."

People who drop on in will find plenty of other talent at in this show. On The Rocks and Divisi will be performing, and local hip hop artist and producer Michael Kay will be one of three "American Idol"-style judges for the competition. The DJs, however, will be focused on a nice little cash prize of \$500 for their interpretations and thankfully won't have Simon Cowell badgering them around.

'During the auditions, all three DJs mixed different sounds with both turntables playing in and out, blending and adding different beats and building up to a big change," Evano says. "All of them had good rhythm and creative ideas for playing these tracks back and forth, which is probably why they won."

Catch the Oregon Bach Festival Remix at 3:30 pm Saturday, May 6 at Oakway Center's Heritage Courtyard. -Dan Hoyt















Contest starts at 9pm





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# THURSDAY MAY 4

THE COOLER Karaoke-9:30 COUNTRY SIDE The Alliance with JC Rico, Paul Biondi, Peter Giri & more-8; Blues, rock COZMIC PIZZA Drew Rouse and the

DIABLO'S Supa J.-10: 80s. ladies' night DOWNTOWN LOUNGE Tigerstripes-10; Electronic new wave

DUCK INN Ben Coleman's Karaoke-9 **EARL'S JUKE JOINT** Peter Christy-7; Country iam, live band karaoke

EMERALD CITY COFFEE HOUSE DirtyMac-7 HAPPY HOURS Karaoke w/ Jim-8:30

JO FEDERIGO'S Jo Fed's All Star Jazz Jam-9 JOGGER'S Club Motion w/ VJ Ty-9:30; Hip

JOHN HENRY'S '80s Night w/Chris, Jenn and

LATITUDE 21 Triple Threat Thursdays w/ Trinity Sounds, Risingsun Intl. and Revolution Sounds-9: Reggae, dancehall, remixes LA OFICINA DJ Felipe & his Latin

Expression-9: Salsa dancing LONE STAR Texas Hold'em-

LUCKEY'S Donerail, Viking, Dead Americans-

MAC'S Mac's & Mo's Jamm-9:30; Funk, blues,

O'DONNELL'S DJs-B-Us: Tim-9 OVERTIME GRILL West Side Blues Jam-8 ROCK 'N' RODEO Ladies' Night w/ Jon Michaels-8:30: Country, rock, top 40 SAM BOND'S Oakhurst, Zebra Junction-9; SAM'S PLACE The Audio Schizophrenic-9 TABOO DJ Tekneek & DJ Smuve-8; Hip hop, R&B, rock, dancehall, reggae TAP 'N' KEG Rising Phoenix–9; Hip hop TAYLOR'S DJ Red Foxx–10; Hip hop TERRITORIAL VINEYARDS Andrea Lee-7

TINY TAVERN Tractor Operator-9 VILLAGE INN Karaoke w/ Karaoke Bliss-8 THE WOODSMAN Texas Hold 'em-4 & 7: Rock & Roll Jam w/ Johnny Wilde-9
WETLANDS Grateful Dead shows on the big

**WOW HALL** New Monsoon, Aphrodesia-9;

# FRIDAY MAY 5

Jam rock, Afrobeat

BEANERY Amish Love Child-7; Acoustic indie

**BLACK FOREST** Uncle Stumbles, The Green

BRIO'S LOUNGE Caught in the Act Karaoke-10 CLUB TSUNAMI DJ Smuve-9 THE COOLER DJ Simy-9:30; Jazzy house, hip

COUNTRY SIDE Roughstock-9 COZMIC PIZZA Trillian Green-8 DIABLO'S DJ Gen.Erik & Supa J-10; Hip hop EMBERS Michael Anderson Trio-9; Country,

EMERALD CITY COFFEE HOUSE Blue Road & Friends-7; Classic '60s music EL TORITO Cinco de Mayo w/ DJs Vinny &

EUGENE CITY BREWERY Mr. Bill's Trivia

HAPPY HOURS The Alliance w/Paul Biondi, Peter Giri & more; Blues and rock

JO FEDERIGO'S Ben Darwish Trio-9 JOGGER'S Club Motion w/ DJ Ty-9:30; Hip hop, R&B & more

JOHN HENRY'S Swing Shift-7:30: Reeble Jar-9 LATITUDE 21 Satin Love Orchestra-9 LAVELLE'S John Polese-5:30; Jazz piano LA OFICINA DJ Felipe & his Latin Expression-9; Salsa dancing

LUCKEY'S Cinco de Mayo celebration w/ Mood Area 52-10 LUNA Silas-9: Americana, roots rock

MAC'S J.C. Rico, Zulu Dragon–9:30; Rock & blues MAIN STREET LOUNGE Ozone Bahv-9:30 MAIN STREET RESTAURANT AND LOUNGE Rock-It-9:30: Rock

MCSHANE'S Cinco de Mayo Party w/ The Hi-Fi Ramblers, The Whopner County Country All-Stars-9; Rockabilly

O'DONNELL'S DJs-B-Us: Tim-9 **OK TAVERN** Big Boots Karaoke Show w/

Boots Houghton-9

OREGANO'S Class Act & friends-8:30; Light jazz OREGON WINE WAREHOUSE Larry Paltis-6; Fingerstyle guitar

OUR DAILY BREAD Stephan Mockli-6;

Singer-songwriter PEABODY'S The Survivors-9:30; Classic

QUACKERS Cinco de Mayo Party w/ The Cheeseburgers-9

RICK'S PUB The Divers-8:30: Rock & blues ROCK 'N' RODEO DJs Jon Michaels & "The Schmoo" Kevin Schmoop-7:30; Country, rock,

ROSE'S DINER Peter Giri-noon; Rock SAM BOND'S Vida Girls, Kristen Chandler-9;

SHER'S ELDORADO Caught-in-the-Act

Karaoke-9 SPIRITS Go-2-11-9; Rock

TABOO DJ Tekneek-8; Hip hop, R&B, reggae TAP 'N' KEG Rising Phoenix-9:30: Dance mix TAYLOR'S Texas Hold 'em-7
TIME OUT Caught in the Act Karaoke-9

TRACKSTIRS Caught in the Act Karaoke–9 VET'S CLUB Calientel–9; Salsa, dance con-

WETLANDS Crazy Train, Drop Dead Legs-10; Ozzy Osbourne and Van Halen tribute bands THE WOODSMAN Texas Hold 'em-4 & 7; Karaoke w/ Jan. Jon-Michael & Jodie-9 WORLD CAFÉ The Conjugal Visitors-7; Appalachian twang

WOW HALL Soul Position, One Be Lo, Animal

# SATURDAY MAY 6

AX BILLY Mike Denny-8
BEANERY Two Easy-7; Folk BLACK FOREST The Dead Americans-10 BRIO'S LOUNGE Caught in the Act Karaoke-10
CHARLIE MAC'S DJ Dance Night-9 CLUB TSUNAMI DJ Smuve-9 COUNTRY SIDE Roughstock-9 COZMIC PIZZA The Dahman Beck Band-8 DIABLO'S DJ Sneakers-10; Hip hop **DOWNTOWN LOUNGE** Original Booty Burglers, Wetsock, Rhythm Pimps–10; Party

DUCK INN Ben Coleman's Karaoke-9 EARL'S JUKE JOINT Music Alliance Showjam-8:30; Pre-grand opening party rock & blues EMBERS Michael Anderson Trio-9 EMERALD CITY COFFEE HOUSE Stephan Mockli-8; Folk, jazz

rock. ska

EL TORITO Tent Party w/Reeble Jar-8:30 INDIGO DISTRICT Caro, Strategy, Solenoid-9:30; KWVA birthday party HAPPY HOURS Brandos-9; Classic rock

JAZZ STATION Nancy Ream, Mercury's

Refrain-7:30; Vocal jazz

JO FEDERIGO'S Vagabond Opera-9; CD

release party

JOGGER'S Club Motion w/ VJ Ty-9:30; Hip hop. R&B & more

**JOHN HENRY'S** The Sawyer Family, The Dry County Crooks, The All American Playboys–10 LAVELLE'S Gus Russell–5:30; Jazz piano

LA OFICINA DJ Felipe & his Latin Expression–9; Salsa dancing

LONE STAR Karaoke w/ Terri–9 **LUCKEY'S** Cabinssence, The Blakes, This Holiday Life–10; Alt country, rock, pop

w/ Kristen Chandler, Cynthia Beal, Lynda

Duffy, Shandi Snostra: Grand reopening cele-

COZMIC PIZZA Transplanting the Blues

LUNA Inner Limits-9; Jazz, funk, blues

O'DONNELL'S DJs-B-Us: Tim-9

QUACKERS Vipers-9; Blues

SAM'S PLACE DJ Amanda/Rav

Decliners-9:30: Rock

SPIRITS Go-2-11-9; Rock

MAC'S Lloyd Jones. Struggle–9:30; R&B MAIN ST. JAVA HOUSE Open Mic w/ Ron

OREGANO'S Class Act & friends-8:30; Light jazz OREGON WINE WAREHOUSE Steve Larson,

Don Latarski-6: Guitar and jazz piano

OUR DAILY BREAD Rob Roberts-6; Jazz,

PEABODY'S Caught in the Act Karaoke-9

ROCK 'N' RODEO DJs Jon Michaels & "The

SAM BOND'S The Ovulators, Bitch Machine,

TABOO DJ Tekneek-8; Hip hop, R&B
TAP 'N' KEG Rising Phoenix-9:30; Retro mix

TAYLOR'S DJ Simy-9:30; Jazzy house, hip

TINY TAVERN Vespa Scooter Club

WETLANDS Los Mex Pistols del Norte...

Beowulf Tone Poem-10; Mexi-punk
THE WOODSMAN Texas Hold 'em-4 & 7;

Karaoke w/ Jan, Jon-Michael & Jodie-9 WORLD CAFÉ DirtyMac-7

WOW HALL Dog Fashion Disco, Tub Ring,

**SUNDAY** MAY 7

BLACK FOREST DJ Jared Ritzer-9

Look What I Did, Karate High School–8; Rock

BLUE LUNA Ladies. Chocolate & Jazz-6: Jazz

Schmoo" Kevin Schmoop-7:30; Country, rock,





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Karaoke w/ Jan, Jon-Michael & Jodie-8

MONDAY MAY 8

BLACK FOREST DJ Jared Ritzer-THE COOLER Texas Hold 'em-7 COUNTRY SIDE Karaoke with Kim-9 COZMIC PIZZA James Hurlev-7 DIABLO'S DJ Diablo & The Fist-10; Booty rock EARL'S JUKE JOINT Paul Biondi's Blues Jam-7 EMERALD CITY COFFEE HOUSE Eric Morton-7; Classic '60s music

JO FEDERIGO'S Skip Jones Hammond Organ

JOGGER'S Blues Jam w/ Paul Biondi-8 MCSHANE'S Micro Movie Monday
ROCK 'N' RODEO Caught in the Act Karaoke-9 SAM BOND'S Bingo w/ Tom Heinl-9
THE WOODSMAN Texas Hold 'em-4 & 7

# TUESDAY MAY 9

CHARLIE MAC'S Acoustic Tuesdays w/ Niel

THE COOLER Texas Hold 'em-7 COUNTRY SIDE Karaoke with Kim-9 COZMIC PIZZA Acoustic Open Mic-DIABLO'S Talent Showcase Open Mic-8 EARL'S JUKE JOINT Peter Giri-7; Acoustic guitar GOOD TIMES Rooster's Blues Jam-8 JAXX Jason Cowsill–9; Open jam JO FEDERIGO'S Natural Progression–9 JOGGER'S Karaoke w/ DJ Bond-9:30 JOHN HENRY'S Natural Progression–10; Hip hon jazz funk fusion LUCKEY'S Sam Hahn-10; Pop MCSHANE'S Tricycle Races-9 THE O BAR Caught in the Act Karaoke-9

O'DONNELL'S DJs-B-Us: Tim-9

OUR DAILY BREAD Brian Toon-6; Jazz guitar

QUACKERS Karaoke with Jon-Michael-9

**RED LION** Jerry Zybach's Blues Jam-7

ROCK 'N' RODEO DJ Blake-8:30; Singles hip hop dance party
SAM BOND'S Sam Bond's Bluegrass Jam-9

SAM'S PLACE Karaoke w/ Lydia TABOO DJ Tekneek & live MCs-8; Hip hop, dancehall remixes

THE WOODSMAN Texas Hold 'em-4 & 7: Karaoke w/ Jan, Jon-Michael & Jodie-8 **WOW HALL** Over the Rhine, Hem-7; Folk

# WEDNESDAY MAY 10

BLACK FOREST Songwriter's Showcase-10 CHARLIF MAC'S Karanke-9 COZMIC PIZZA Logan Martin, Dan Hartman,

Jared Swezey-7 **DIABLO'S** Texas hold 'em-7

DOWNTOWN LOUNGE Olso-9: Modern rock EARL'S JUKE JOINT Stone Cold Jazz w/ Kenny

ELDORADO Karaoke w/ Luke-9
EMERALD CITY COFFEE HOUSE Open Mic

Acoustic Jam-6 **FATHOMS** Karaoke w/ Jared-9 JAXX Audio Schizophrenic-10; Dance **JO FEDERIGO'S** John Fiori-9

JOGGER'S Club Motion w/ DJ Tv-9:30; Dance.

house, '80s remixes

JOHN HENRY'S Mark Olson and Gary Louris-7; DJ Kal El vs. DJ Tekneek–10; Reggae vs. hip hop LUCKEY'S Ultraterrestrial, The Band of Annuals-10: Rock

MAC'S Christie & McCallum-8; Honky tonk rock MCDONALD Thousand Foot Krutch, Hawk on, Falling Up–8

MULLIGAN'S Music Jam w/ Keith Harrison: open mic sign-up-9
OUR DAILY BREAD Katie Fisher-6; Violin

PANDORA'S BOX Strip-e-oke-9; Karaoke

PERUGINO Irish jam-7:30; Celtic QUACKERS Blues Jam-8:30

SAM BOND'S Quickditch, Ashley Raines-9;

SAMURAI DUCK Middian, Face Down in Shit, Diesto, Human Certainty, Cryptic Weevil–9 STACY'S COVERED BRIDGE Open Mic Night

w/Ron O'Keefe-8:30 TABOO DJ Smuve-8; Hip hop TAP 'N' KEG Rising Phoenix-9:30; Hip hop THE WOODSMAN Texas Hold 'em-4 & 7; Karaoke w/ Jan, Jon-Michael & Jodie-9 WOW HALL Kan 'Nal-9: World beat

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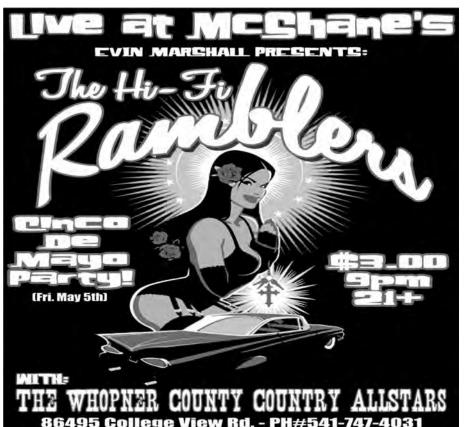
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# A Jazz-Ballet Cocktail

Eugene Ballet hoofs it with Pink Martini

An interview with Eugene Ballet Company's Artistic Director Toni Pimble.

# What was the inspiration for the collaboration between Pink Martini and Eugene Ballet Company?

The idea of working with the band is intriguing because they describe their music as world music, and indeed it crosses all boundaries. Working with Pink Martini music has challenged us to approach each piece as a completely separate, individual little ballet with its own style, look and feel.

# Jazz is notoriously improvisational while ballet has a reputation for being more defined. Where have you found a happy medium?

When we initially discussed the program, we chose pieces that were complimentary a quiet pensive piece followed by a lively piece and so on. At that time we discussed arrangement and tempo, and Thomas explained that they would play the pieces

exactly as they were recorded. Naturally this is very important for us since the pieces are very specific in their choreography.

# What is it like to work with live jazz?

Working with live musicians is always a joy. In this instance many of the individual players have a reputation for virtuoso talent, which just raises the "barre" for us.

# Have there been any surprises in working with this type of music?

The most challenging aspect of choreographing nine pieces is that they are so individual. It becomes mentally challenging to switch gears from rehearsal to rehearsal.

# How do the dancers like moving in this idiom? What are the challenges?

Some of the styles they are very familiar with, others they have to learn. One minute the ladies are in pointe shoes in a very classical piece and the next in high heels and strutting to fast paced big band-style music.

# Are the dancers exploring improv in rehearsals?

We have certainly improvised a lot in rehearsal to get the creative juices flowing. The dancers have been very involved in the choreographic process and contributed enormously. For example, in "Flying Squirrel" I wanted to insert a short section of Capoeira. I knew that dancer Frank Affrunti had done a little of that and asked him to refresh his memory on this interesting form of martial art dance form. The first rehearsal he showed me many of the basic moves. I told him what I liked, and he basically choreographed it, and I set the parameters.

# For the piece, what movement vocabulary have you drawn on? Art? Photos? Travels?

We have drawn from tango and flamenco, big band, salsa, cha cha, samba, ballroom, Venezuelan folk dance and classical pas de deux. "Dansez-Vous" is about social dancing. The ladies jump back into their high heels and every one does a little salsa, a little merengue, a little tango, a little...

# What do you hope audiences will find in this performance?

We always want the audience to be moved by the performance, but I would also like them to leave the auditorium vowing to sign up for dance lessons the next day!

Pink Martini joins the Eugene Ballet Company for two shows Saturday, May 6 at 8 pm and Sunday, May 7 at 2:30 pm at the Hult Center.

# In the Pink

here are only two ingredients in a traditional martini cocktail, but shaking up the sublime concoction called Pink Martini takes 12 people and music from around the world. The Portland-based ensemble recently wrapped up a three-week sold-out European tour. Here in Eugene they will perform at the Hult Center with the Eugene Ballet Company dancing nine pieces choreographed by artistic director Toni Pimble.

Attempts at describing the band's cosmopolitan sound always come up short. "Sophisticated" undermines the band's playfulness and love of the unexpected. "Loungey" stints on the complexities of their compositions, bold enough to include Japanese slide guitar and bits of Chopin's "Andante Spianato." Pink Martini is the best guest at any dinner party: a citizen of the world fluent in several languages, expert in classical chamber music, Japanese film noir, '50s retro kitsch, Latin jazz and French café tunes. Add to that the visual beauty of dance, and you've neared perfection.

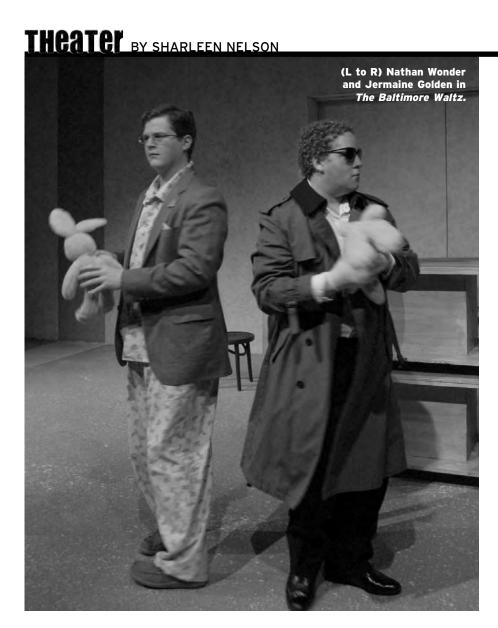
- Vanessa Salvia











# Acquired Toilet Disease

UO Arena Theatre stages Baltimore Waltz.

n 1988, 20,786 people in the U.S. died of HIV/AIDS. One of them was Carl Vogel. The UO's University Theatre presents *The Baltimore Waltz*, playwright Paula Vogel's 1992 Obie-winning tribute to her late brother. The play serves as a reminder that when AIDS first struck in the U.S. in the 1980s, a high proportion of

those infected were gay males. Not only did they face uncertain prognoses and a government that barely acknowledged the disease, but also social stigmas — many in society considered AIDS a punishment for a debauched lifestyle, and wearing a pink triangle on your lapel could get you fired from your job.

# Opening Nights

# The Full Monty

Opens Friday, May 5 at Actors Cabaret of Eugene.

Proving that the average working man can be as wild and crazy and sexy as any male burlesque hunk, six unemployed, strapped-for-cash steelworkers overcome inhibition and go "the full Monty" at a local strip club. Show dates are May 5-7, 12-14, 19-21; and 26 and 27. Call 683-4368 for tickets.

Although the play is in part a grieving process for the playwright, *The Baltimore Waltz* isn't all misery and gloom. Vogel's witty blend of compassion, humor and sarcasm not only celebrates her brother's life, but also lampoons everything from HMOs and the government to the clandestine underworld of unsavory characters who preyed on the sick through the peddling of faux-hope and black-market drugs.

the broader illusion of travel. But it's the three excellent actors who are responsible for bringing the spirit of Vogel's play to life

As Anna, Hayley Zeal demonstrates a natural ability for switching on and off between comedy and drama, one minute leaping under the covers with a lover for an amorous romp, the next, slumping into feeble despondency. Equally engaging is

# It's the three excellent actors who are responsible for bringing the spirit of Vogel's play to life.

Anna has been diagnosed with ATD — Acquired Toilet Disease, a deadly and incurable bacterial virus that seems to assail only single, elementary school teachers. Knowing she has only a short time to live, Anna, her brother Carl and his stuffed bunny Jo-Jo embark on a whirlwind fantasy trek across Europe in search of a renowned Viennese physician rumored to have an unorthodox treatment for the disease.

Despite the Arena's limited space, through the clever use of props sporadically rearranged, a cabinet and simple, moveable wooden boxes become an airport checkpoint or a hotel room to create Nathan Wonder as the exceedingly intellectual yet sensitive and child-like Carl, who maneuvers about in a secret attempt to save his sister. Last, but certainly not least, Jermaine Golden is much more than "The Third Man/Doctor" for which he is credited in the playbill. Armed with an irresistibly impish smile and an impressive array of European accents, Golden provides much of the play's comic relief via a multiplicity of roles, including narrator, passionate French maitre d', nervous Munich virgin, pragmatic Dutch boy and cloak-and-dagger international spy.

The Baltimore Waltz continues May 4-6. Call 346-4363 for tickets.

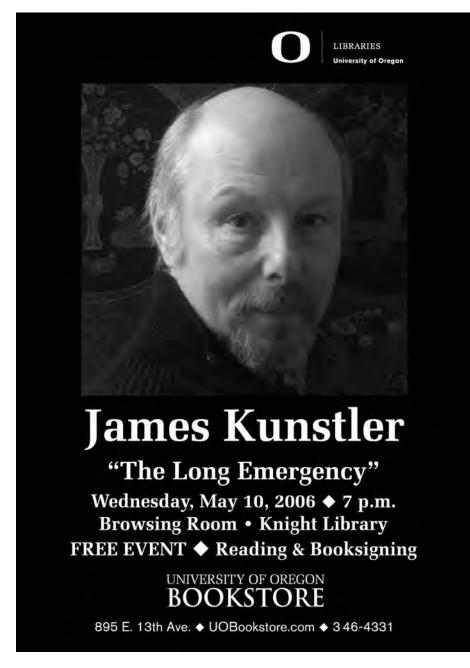




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# **BOOKS** BY LOIS WADSWORTH

# A Great Wine Tale

From the red hills of Dundee

THE GRAIL: A Year Ambling & Shambling Through an Oregon Vineyard in Pursuit of the Best Pinot Noir Wine in the Whole Wild World by Brian Doyle. OSU Press, 2006. Paperback, \$18.95.

> s you can see from the full title of Oregon essayist and

Portland Magazine editor Brian Doyle's latest book, he is a devotee of good wine. Doyle also confesses to being a "wine doofus," which led to his spending a year visiting the Lange Winery and talking to winemaker Don Lange and his energetic, articulate 26-year-old son Jesse about the grapes they grow in the red clay Dundee Hills and the process by which these small, blueblack grapes become the com-

plex elixir internationally renowned as Oregon pinot noir.

For all of us who know next to nothing about growing, making and appreciating a fine wine, Doyle's enthusiasm for facts and

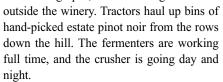
the land. He writes about the wild creatures who travel by air, many of which are interested in the tasty grapes themselves. He chronicles what the Native American people who lived here before the white settlers came hunted, gathered and ate in this valley. He traces the history of the grape itself from ancient times to today's hardy clones. And he documents the economic impact of Oregon's expanding renewable resource: viniculture. And laced throughout the book are the fascinating characters whose lives and livelihoods depend on the "fussy" pinot noir grape

The book is also the story of one contem-

porary winemaking business, which has remained human-sized. We observe the yearround, hand-care required at the Lange vineyards and winery — the planting of new grapes, the delicate pruning of the vines, the constant tasting and testing of the growing

grapes as well as of the vatted wines and the ongoing task of keeping everything super-clean.

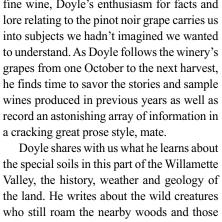
Late in the book, Jesse calls Doyle and tells him to come observe a day during harvest. In a crucial period that lasts several weeks, everyone works full-tilt until midnight or later every day to bring in the roughly 170 tons of grapes from Lange's and neighboring vineyards and start making wine. Trucks deliver grapes, which form great stacks



"[T]here are about ninety things going on at once, and everywhere I turn there is activity, all of it purposeful and graceful, as if a huge sweaty machine smoothly in high gear," Doyle writes. He asks Jesse, how do you keep track of all this? Insanely careful scheduling, the young winemaker replies.

Doyle subtly brings the reader to a new appreciation of wine through his perceptive portraits and the voices of the people whose collaborative enterprise makes this winery prosper. The muscle and creative talent to make a great wine involve an old-fashioned work ethic largely missing from our society, and the winery owners' dedication to using the land in a non-polluting and sustainable manner is inspiring.

Doyle's fevered dream of tasting the world's best pinot noir filled me with the desire for a glass of Lange Three Hills Cuvee at least once this lifetime, and thanks to a few friends, wine-lovers all, my dream will also come true. Doyle reads at the UO Bookstore at 7 pm on Tuesday, May 9, following a wine tasting with Sweet Cheeks Winery at 6 pm. See you there.





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# Malaise of the Cork

Screw-tops sounding better all the time.

**■** m amazed by the speed of time. Earth spins on its axis at a thousand miles an hour — the speed of a day. It flies around Ole Sol at 18.5 miles per second (about 60,000 mph); that's how quickly our seasons and years blow by. Like the wind? Chump change. It's the first of May 2006, and our gardens are busting out shoots,

buds and blooms. For a brief moment, the rains have quit, and a pale blue sky arches over sweet, clean air in the south end of the Willamette River's verdant valley. It seems only minutes ago when ground froze and crunched under our feet; a withered Christmas wreath still hangs on our back fence, a crumbling reminder of deep winter warmed by colored lights, crackling fires and generous hearts feasting together. Minutes ago, I swear.

You will not be charged for the bad bottle, and the restaurant will give the bottle back to the distributor for credit and will not lose money. Note: Retailers should react the same way, taking the bottle back, proffering a freshie, all happy. I'll be returning two corknasty bottles — Can Feixes 04 Penedes, normally a lovely Spanish white, and

Caravaggio Montepulciano, usually deep and yummy red -

to Sundance; the guys won't blink, will simply guide me to new bottles (or price/variety equivalents), no woofing or mugging involved.

Without getting too technical, what winefolk call "cork disease" or "corkiness" can be a nasty problem in wine. It begins with

using cork as the closure to a bottle, not a bad idea when we look back into the his-

# 'So there's nothing wrong with this bottle? Your wine just smells like my dog after a romp in a mud puddle?'

This is my monthly column #105 (or so), marking almost nine years, a hundred thousand words about wine and related subjects. (OK, since our slog into the quagmire of Iraq, with associated issues of torture, corruption and fiscal madness, my column took some peculiar twists, but I don't feel the least apologetic; in fact, I wish I could have done and said more in service of the genuine values of this beloved country.) This calls for reflection and evaluation, a toting-up of the

Start with basic purposes: my original intent in these pages was to serve EW readers by helping them access wine — one of civilized life's sweetest pleasures — that seemed good value, that is, best quality for price. I haven't spent many words on wines accessible only to the very wealthy; sure a Leroi Chambertin is great pinot noir, but at \$900/bottle, how many EW readers could care? Besides, grand as Leroi might be, is it 90 times better than a \$15 bottle of deep-flavored Witness Tree 2004 Chainsaw Pinot Noir from Oregon? Maybe, to somebody, for some reason, probably having to do more with values other than flavor complexity and satisfaction. Real people who want real wine for an evening meal are the folks I write for, and I see no compelling reason to change.

Have I done enough to help readers become more wine-savvy consumers? Hmm. could improve here. Might as well start today, with a little chapter on "cork disease."

Think that tasting ritual in restaurants sniffing the cork, sipping of the first pour is all bluff and dumbshow? Uh-uh. In most cases, the experienced imbiber is checking, not for a wine "turned" to vinegar (rare, usually occurring in very old vintages), but for bad cork, what the pros call TCA (trichloroanisole), a chemical condition in wine that is (variously) described as smelling/tasting like wet newspapers or moldy basement or some equivalent. Distinctly yucky. Stop, don't make anyone else at your table taste that guck; send the bottle back and get a fresh one. And don't worry.

tory of wine. Oxygen is the enemy of wine, and, of course, we also want to retain the liguid in the bottle. Couple hundred years ago or so, winemakers started cutting corks from cork oak trees, primarily in Portugal; they sealed the bottles effectively (as long as they were kept moist; hence, the practice of laying bottles on their sides for storage). But problems developed having to do with microorganisms living in the bark and interacting with the wine, resulting in spoilage. Too, corks broke down over time: anyone who has tried opening an older wine has experienced corks that just crumble when pulled. The problem of the micro-crawlies was solved (sorta) by putting the corks through a chemical wash of chlorine bleach, but it's perhaps that very process that yields TCA, or "corkiness."

And cork "disease" is way more common than industry marketers want to admit; objective analysts in recent research have set the percentage of "corked" bottles as high as 8 percent, about one bottle per case. Winemakers and corkpersons argue for a much lower figure, more like 1 percent, but out of millions of cases produced, that's still millions of "corked" bottles.

Honest producers abandoned the denial defense when consumers came back saying, "So there's nothing wrong with this bottle? Your wine just smells like my dog after a romp in a mud puddle?" And even though cork producers improved their harvesting practices and lowered rates of TCA, many producers went over to synthetic corks and, lately, all the way to screw-tops (my favorites).

Cork lingers as closure for wine largely because marketers worked so long and hard to associate wine quality with a cork in the bottle. In effect, they've dug their own trap, but change is coming. Find Argyle 2004 Pinot Noir (\$19), tasty, honest pinot — with screwtop. When top-quality producers like Argyle make the change, the others follow, consumers benefit, and the world of wine is a little brighter without "cork disease."

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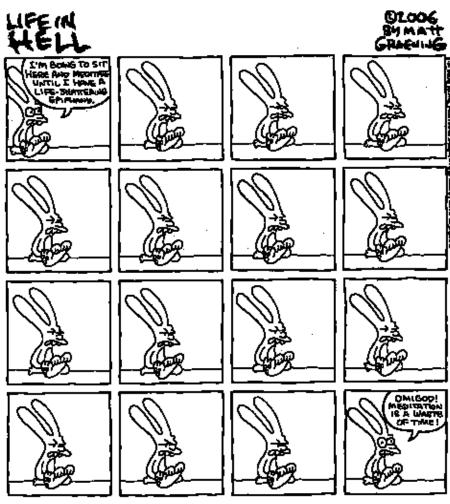








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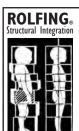
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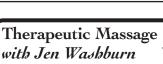
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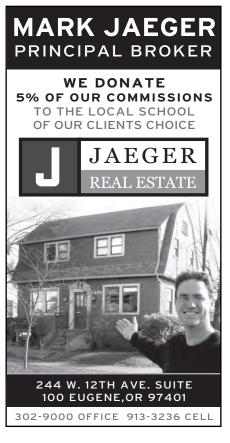
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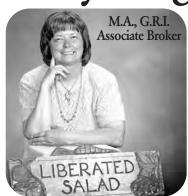
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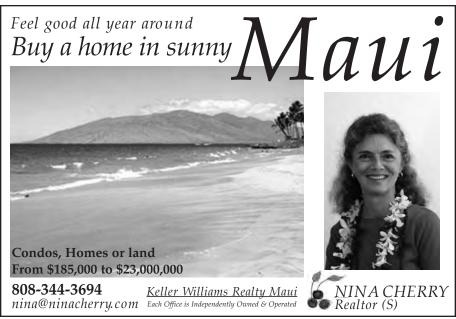
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## SPRINGTIME

Attractive SWF seeks attractive SM, 35-45. Have fun, music, dining, the spring festivals. NS, no drugs. Let's meet. ☎ 7960

## ARTISTIC TYPE

Looking for another artistic type for companionship and love. Must be emotionally and financially together, kind hearted, spirited, adventure some, playful, healthy, aging gracefully. 55-65. \$\alpha\$ 7958

## WHERE ARE YOU?

Beautiful, fit, passionate, hon-est, creative, spiritual, loving, communicative, traveled, adventuresome, monogamous, professional woman, 53. Looking for a quality integrous man with same qualities who is ready and available for vthful, delightful connection and LTR. NS. 🕿 7955

## A CHRISTIAN FEMALE

A Christian Female wants to meet a man, 53-63, for dance, travel, church, concerts, plays, dine in, dine out. I can relocate. I live in Portland. \$\alpha\$ 7948

# LET'S WALK MY DOG

Full-figured, SWF, 30, loves the Ducks, music, laughing, the coast and good times. Seeking SM. 28-35, who has a job, a car. teeth and a sense of humor. =

## **LOVE TO LAUGH**

am easy going, sincere, smart. Looking for a man who will treat me well. \$\pi\$ 7901

## NAG CHAMPA

Cute, plus sized, 41 yo woman, blonde, brown. I am sassy, smart, smooth, and smell like nag champa. For this you will love me! \$\pi\$ 7899

Tall, slender, attractive, uncon ventional, professional, 45 yo woman. ISO gentle, humorous, financially secure man, 41-56 for LTR. Good kisser a plus. Write Blind Box: "GILDA"

# YOUR SWEET LADY

Simple and honest. Just a sincere, petite, fun loving lady looking for an honest, active gentleman who wants to build a partnership. Creative woman, passionate, independent. STD Clean, playful and attractive. No non-ninht stands attractive. No one-night stands or drinkers. ☎ 7891

## OPEN-HEARTED

Emotionally, physically and spiritually fit DWP, 53 yo woman. Passionate, open emotionally, physically and spiritually fit DWP, 53 yo woman. Passionate, open hearted, slightly irreverent. Seeks same in you, a joyful, kind, self-aware soul. MLC. Integrity, still, a must. \$\frac{1}{2}\$ 7890

## OUTDOOR PLAYMATE

Sought for fit, athletic, bright, fetching, avid outdoors woman. Hiking, backpacking, backcountry skiing, road-cycling and touring, sharing food, fun and friends. Prefer self-aware, under 50, no maio parental commitments. **2** 7837

You better not be mean to me, Milkman Dan, or you're gonna go to hell when you die.

I think not, Karen...

STRONG ENOUGH

I want someone to have fun with when my boyfriend is out

Open and honest. Fun, beauti-

ful blonde seeks attractive

WEEKEND L.A.R.P.

Men The seeking The

LOOKING FOR A LADY

Man, 59, wants to meet lady,

46-56, for poss, relationship

PO Box 7184, Eugene, OR 97401.

aht drink. Write to

women

Seeks hursuite male to co to my emotional rescue. 7816

fident. 30-45. NS. = 7819

rous, optimistic and con-

resourceful

playing with his

interestina.

# **RED MEAT** gravy-stained muumuu of despair

**GOOD LOVING DIET** 

Nice, frisky SWM ISO volup-tuous woman, 34-54, as sin-cerely interested in losing 25

Ibs in two months as I am.

Biking, gardening, eating healthy, great loving, in home

neathy, great loving, in home movies, jazz, blues, Led Zep, Simpsons, politically conscious, STD free, herb friendly. Did I mention great loving? LTR possible. Send photos if desired. Write Blind Box: "Loving Diet." - \$\pi\$ 7966

3/21 FLIGHT Desperately seeking Midwestern woman from 3/21

flight from Denver to Eugene

Your dad had just had him

umpteenth hip replacement,

and they kept changing our gate. • 7957





What if I'm not lying? What if Milkman Dan has beaten God at his own game? Imagine, if you will, what kind of delicious suffering awaits you at the hands of the most powerful milkman in the universe.



# BOOKS

And more books. Poetry, lit, early Christian, Buddhist. DPM 50. My psyche responds to "Old Europe," church bells, chamber music, a slower rhythm. Seeks friendship, romance, love, commitn Age unimportant. ☎ 7956

## JESTER SEEKS QUEEN

JESTER SEERS QUEEN 510", dark and handsome! Gainfully employed, profes-sional. Looking for companion-ship, fun times. Very honest, sincere, playful, witty and car-ing. ISO similar attributes to possibly be my soulmate and possibly be my soulmate and Queen. ☎ 7951

# LIFE BEGINS AT 60

SWM ISO passionate, fun-lov ing, adventurous, openhearted, honest SF to enjoy all that life has to offer. I am 6'2", HWP, life has to offer. I am 6.2., HWP, love music, dancing, country fair, herb, the outdoors and romance. Let's kiss good morn-ing in the sun. Write blind box: "Life Begins at 60" ☎ 7945

# WISHES COME TRUE

SWM is seeking beautiful, deaf, mute, workaholic for serious relationship. Send me a microwave. \$\mathbf{7}\$ 7943

# ARROW IN HEART

SWM, 50, athletic, ISO pretty rainbow, life's adventures together, Kindness, respect together. Kindness, respect, trust, honesty, peace, love, integrity, laughter, fun. Likes hiking, running, tandem bike, candlelight dinner, kisses, touch, massage, gentleman, romance. \$\pi\$ 7911

# I WILL SPOIL YOU

I am seeking one, very nice, intelligent, spiritually evolved, progressive, kind, considerate level headed woman, 25-45 who is attractive and has good who is attractive and has good figure. I am a good looking, easy going, gentleman, 40s, with these qualities. The right person will be spoiled with flowers, gifts, massages, and other things too personal to mention. Interested? Curious? \$\pi\$ 7910

## I'M NOT LIKE MOST

Nost guys are selfish, interested in what they want. Then there are a few, like myself who are kind, considerate, respectful and interested in what they can give and how they can make their partner hannv emotionally intimately. happy, emotionally, intimately, etc. Me, 5'9", good looking, bright, 40s. **5** 7909

# FUN AND ACTIVE

30's, SWM, 6'1", 175, ISO active F. 25-35, who enjoys physical fitness, having fun, the outdoors, hiking, biking, the beach, hot springs, camping, cuddling. Friends and lovers wanted to

## SINCERE GENTLEMAN

SWM, 70, tall, slim, looking for a sweetheart 58-70 for love, cuddling, affection, dining out, home cooking, movies, firehome cooking, movies, fire place, travel, home life, beach es, Hawaii, picnics, Lin. Financially secure, lots to offer. No drugs, NS. NA. Write Blind

### HERE'S THE DEAL!

HERE'S THE DEAL!
Continue to date dishonest jerks with shiny cars, boring jobs, good credit, football, NASCAR, BAAAA! I'll stay interesting, honest, funny, creative, bright, playful, adventurous, good looking and single. Herh good looking and single. Herb OK. **~** 7895

# MARVELOUSLY NICE?

Are you a plain, pretty, bigger better voluptuous, rueben, curvy knockout? Cute, trim educated, home-owner ing 35 +. Thanks for guy, educated, seeking 35 +. response. ☎ 7892

## KISSPRING

With beginning With a new beginning, Easygoing, playful, respectful, responsible, fit, handsome man, 48, with love of life, out-doors, music, dancing, arts, laughter, communicating, Seeks spirited, fit lady, 38-50, with integrity balance and with integrity, balance and spontaneity, for sharing a passionate, growing, enriching, vast experience. Possible LTR. Write blind box: "Kisspring".

## A GOOD GUY

A GOOD GUY
Thoughtful, nonjudgmental, emotionally and financially solid gentleman. Young 65. Fit, attractive, upper, relaxed, humorous, educated, traveled. Love outdoors, gardening, cooking, music, animals, arts, adventures. Interesting and interested. Seeking match 50-65. Possible LTR. \$\pi\$ 7889

## BI WOMAN WANTED

Handsome, sexy, silver fox seeks younger woman for seri-ous relationship only. Own home in country with hot tub so must be able to relocate without kids. Call now! **27887** 

# WHILE WERE YOUNG!

who enjoys art, music, dance massage, in and outdoor fun. Herb friendly. **a** 7884

## **BLACK WOMAN WANTED**

ISO BF who would enjoy receiving good licking. Plus more if you want. Clean, safe, discrete fun on the coast. No games or

# FICE WILL ASTIOLOGY BY ROB BREZSNY

ARIES (March 21-April 19): "Any idiot can face a crisis," said Russian writer Anton Chekhov. "It is the day-to-day living that wears you out." Your main assignment in the coming weeks, Aries, will be to use your ingenuity to keep from being burned out by the subtle and minor trials of the daily grind. It won't be as dramatic a challenge as some of the epic travails you dealt with in March, but in my opinion it will be just as heroic.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): New Rule: During the next two weeks, you're not allowed to think any thought or feel any feeling you've experienced a million times before. If you detect one of those stale ingredients bubbling up into the mix, it's your sacred duty to immediately substitute a fresh-from-the-garden idea or feeling that you've never entertained before. It's the season of novelty, Taurus-time to compost the old ways and revel in raw innocence. Invite the universe to gorge you with virginal blessings.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20): In the entire history of the world, there has never been a time that neglects dreams more than ours. Every other culture has paid more attention to the information that's available to us while we're sleeping. This ennervating ignorance incurs a personal cost. If you're one of those who rarely recalls your dreams, you're suffering a grievous loss of connection with the wisdom of your unconscious mind. And even if you do stay in touch with your dreams, most of the people around you aren't connected to theirs, and that generates stupendous stupidity. Want to remedy the problem, Gemini? It's a perfect astrological moment to improve your relationship with the realm where you spend one-third of your life. Here are a few resources: the book Living Your Dreams by Gayle Delaney; the book Radical Dreaming: Use Your Dreams to Change Your Life by John Goldhammer; the Lucid Dream Institute (http://www.lucidity.com); dream interpretations by Jonathan Zap (http://snipurl.com/paar).

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Pathologist Paul Wolf has suggested that some of history's great artists may have never created their masterpieces if the wonders of modern medicine had been available to them. For example, what if doctors had cured van Gogh's mental illness with a regimen of drugs like Prozac and Xanax? Maybe he would have been spared the torment that goaded him to the outbursts of genius that erupted on his canvases. It's an interesting theory-one that I invite you to apply to your own life history. Are there ways in which the very things that have driven you crazy have played a role in your finest accomplishments? This is a perfect time to acknowledge and celebrate that ironic miracle.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22): Let's talk about the gift that it is your destiny to

offer the world. Are you still struggling to figure out what it is? Here's what storyteller Michael Meade advises: You'll know it's the gift you were born to give if your energy is renewed, not exhausted, by giving it. It so happens that the coming weeks will be a perfect time to make dramatic progress in exploring this crucial truth, Leo.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): According to research done by Forbes magazine, more billionaires are Virgos than any other sign of the zodiac. A disproportionate 12 percent of the world's wealthiest people are members of your tribe. I hope this startling fact inspires you to be more proactive in cultivating your natural advantages. It's high time for you to prime your cash flow. Now please promise that you will say the following affirmation three times a day for the next 30 days: "Because I am shrewd, analytical, practical, attentive, and strategic, I possess all the necessary qualities to become wealthier. I am a money magnet. Money is my servant. O monnee aimmee summ'

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Espertantina, a town in Brazil, celebrates May 9 as Orgasm Day. As much as I'd love to import this enlightened holiday to my home country of America, it might be difficult in the foreseeable future. Why? Because religious fundamentalists have been spreading their infectious mental disease, seducing people into mistrusting their bodies' natural urges. Meanwhile, the advertising and entertainment industries try to sell us on the glamour of being in a chronic state of titillation without satisfaction. I'm calling on you Libras to do what you can to resist these cultural trends. The astrological omens say this is an auspicious time for you to seek out, cultivate, and honor your own orgasms.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): I have a rabid appreciation for your efforts to make this world a steamier, wilder, more lyrical labyrinth. Thank you for all the entertaining mysteries you conjure so regularly. You are a true Puzzle Master, both in the sense that you create beautiful enigmas and that you solve seemingly impossible riddles. Having said that, though, I want to beg you to ease up on the drama for a while. Now and then there come times when you get so heavy and thick with obsessive longing and complicated emotions that you're in danger of imploding. This is such a moment. So lighten up, please. Consider indulging in the pleasures of harmless fun and frivolous diversions for a few days.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): I would never make light of your pain, Sagittarius, but it's my duty to inform you that you now have a rather amusing opportunity to capitalize on it. You may have heard that Star Trek actor William Shatner sold his kidney stone to an online casino for \$33.000 In a comparable though perhaps more metaphorical way, I foresee you being able to cash in on or at least make very good use of something that

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Your meditation for the week comes from playwright Bertolt Brecht. "Art is not a mirror held up to reality," he said, "but a hammer with which to shape it." This is an excellent idea to keep in mind even if you're not a writer, painter, dancer, filmmaker, actor, or musician. What it means is that you now have the duty and opportunity to fully unleash the creator in you. Don't be satisfied with the world the way it is: don't sit back and complain about the dead weight of the mediocre status quo. Instead, stir up your curiosity and charisma and expressiveness and lust for life. Then rebuild everything you see so that it's in greater harmony with the laws of love.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): "People seem not to see that their opinion of the world is also a confession of their character," wrote Ralph Waldo Emerson. Your assignment in the coming week, Aquarius, is to take inventory of your opinions about the world, and then analyze what they reveal about your character. Here are some questions to guide your explorations. How do the feelings and theories you carry within you get projected onto the life you find around you? Do your prevailing attitudes help shape the experiences you attract? Is the reality you've built in your psyche at least partially responsible for creating the reality you encounter everywhere you

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20): Whenever I'm on top of the world and able to see for miles, it's easier for me to view the big picture of my life. That's why I rode my bike to the crest of the mountain today. I wanted to meditate on a certain personal problem that has had me stumped. But when I arrived there after a long ascent, a frigid, relentless wind was blustering so hard that I could barely think. Reluctantly, I came down the mountain and did my meditation in the valley below, where a mild, warmer wind posed no aggravation. There I was able to get the insight I needed. Now I'm passing my lesson on to you. Pisces. You may not be able to accomplish your current goal where you thought you could, but you can do it in a different place. Be flexible about the setting.

**HOMEWORK:** If you had a little baby clone of yourself to take care of, what would be your child-rearing strategy? Tell all at www.freewillastrol-

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## **BIG SILLY!**

Responsible but silly! Have car, house, life, all my teeth. never married, no kids yet. Anyone wanna hangout sometime? 36, 6′, 160. Please be HWP, 25-35.  $\bigcirc$  7874

## HOPEFULLY ROMANTIC

Me, 48 yo romantic seeking same. I'm fit, healthy, happy, single, secure and progressive. I have a good education and an open mind. I love good food, good wine and simple pleas úres. I am currently heading for Afghanistan for a year, but will be home for a week in May. I've never been accused of being cute but I've been called handsome. If you are fit and sane, please call. \$\mathbf{7}843\$

## LOOKING FOR FRIEND

46, SWM, ISO kind, beautiful, warm, caring woman. Sexy intelligent person, searching for my best friend and soul-mate. NS, ND. WP who like to hike, fish, camp, dance, fine dining, plays, concerts, travel and rafting. 26-56, fit, physical condition. ☎ 7842

## TAKE A SHOT AT ME

IAKE A SHO! AT ME
I'm a SWM, 33 yo, 260 lbs, 6'5".
I'm into many outdoor activities, music, drawing and trips on the coast. I'm hoping to meet a neat, down to earth woman, 21-43, who wants to just be cool and enjoy life. 

7834

# COMMON? HARDLY!

Bright, funny, sweet, honest, monogamous. 5'6", trim, brown hair, green eyes. Seeks easy going, petite, 30-40 sweetie for movies, dinners, road trips, thrift stores, general clowning. \$\alpha\$ 7831

## SEEKS OLDER LOVER

SWM late forties, 5'10", 220 lbs, handsome, funny, outdoorsy, employed, financially secure. Not seeking wife or mother. Seeking a fun, mature lady for quiet évenings, dinne movies, Linn County, 7829

# WEIRDOS UNITE

Mid 20s lunatic fringe writer seeking intellectual woman for seeking intellectual woman for long conversations into the night over coffee. Bizarre activities and goofy fun. 25-35, no other limitations. If you're looking for something beyond the usual bizzaritty of life, I'm your guy. \$\frac{\pi}{2}\$ 7825

# WANT TO JOIN ME?

5'9", 180 lbs. Cook, grower of things, likes dogs, dragons anything physical. Need part ner for conversation, events, places, potential cuddler. Expecting nothing, want all things. Want to join me? \$\frac{1}{2}\$

# SEEKING HOT WOMAN

37, WM seeking older woman open-minded, like movies, out doors, fishing. \$\frac{1}{2}\$ 7821

# 55 YO VIRGIN

Or so it seems. Wooden ya like a guy that's keen? Let's have a soda and try not to freak when vou discover I'm kinda hand some for a skinny geek. SWChM. ☎ 7818



# READING GROUP

in Eugene to start a ladies reading group. Meet monthly or bi-monthly. Each member picks a book to read. **~** 7965

# ALL PERSONALITY

ALL PERSONALITY
BIF wanted for fun loving,
romantic, serious relationship
with same. Personality more
important than looks. Be open
and honest. I'm mature but young at heart. No kids, smok ers, drugs. **a** 7885

# BI WOMEN'S GROUP

21 and over. Meeting the third Friday of each month. Ongoing r 15 years. No men, gays

# seeking The men

Bi-curious WM, BM or TS, 7" plus, to lavish pent-up oral desire on. Possibly more if chemistry right. Discrete. \$\pi\$ 7882

## **CURIOUS STUDENTS?**

Looking for a Bi or curious younger guy for some hot fun! 29, 6', 155, Bi and very discrete. Wanna try anything you've always thought of? ☎ 7873

## SEEKING SOULMATE

Please be intelligent, articulate, gentle and full of humor I'm feminine, submissive, very domestic and love both evenings out and nights cud-dling. \$\frac{1}{2}\$ 7820



# FUN THIS SPRING

Corvallis. Nice looking, man, 6', 176, well groomed. ISO good looking, sexy women, 20-30's for booty call arrangement. Let's have some fun this coring a 7920. spring. **☎** 7839



ZACH
We are about to take drastic measures to find you. Please contact Dad, Mom, Glenn, Jim or Gael. Just let us know you're

OH POOPSIE I saw you being funny and nice and sexy and adorable every day of your life. And that's a

# pretty cute way to be.

MELISSA

Where are you? Call Thomas in Marcola. 933-3302.

# RHONDA SUF

Happy Happy Birthday, Grandma! We love you so much, and we're GLAD you are in our family! xoxox Birthday.

# NURSE SUE

Happy Birthday to our favorite blonde! We hope you have a FABULOUS day. We LOVE you!

# WHITE BIO-WAGON

4/30. You: Hot, handsome and inked, buying a burrito on 6th Bet yours isn't Jr. sized. Hope your mind is as dirty as these Mercedes! Me: tattooed tramp.

# AN ACT OF KINDNESS

I want to give my deepest thanks to the thoughtful person who turned in my black fanny pack at the main PO. Much appreciated. \$\pi\$ 7964

# SMILEY

You were on acid, and you looked a bit like Hunter S. Thompson. I told you so, but you told me it was "Smiley." Indeed, I've seen you everywhere like this. \$\alpha\$ 7963

# FLOATER SHOW

You grabbed and kissed me out of the blue, that was nice and ljust wanted to thank you. \$\pi\$7953

# **APRIL 24, 2006**

I saw you on UO campus. Green shirt, blue skirt, lip piercing. If you're not the one why does my soul feel glad. Can I read you my poetry? Kisses. \$\frac{1}{2}\$ 7950

## LAUGHING

Laughing all night before you stole my matchbook, and with it, a piece of my heart. Let's tattoo your parent's faces and bike across South America. ??

# U R REEBLICIOUS!

Hey band boy, darkness is nice, so is the light. But balance is best. Clarity and waterfalls would suit you, but I have too much to lose to play the way you do. Love always, Dancing girl. \$\alpha\$ 7947

# IT'S ALL ABOUT YOU Mmmmm, sexy, tasty, just one floor away. Drives me crazy. Love eating till your hair tingles, soon. ☎ 7946

INFANT MASSAGE At Sweet Life, 4/20. I am excited at the prospect of teaching mothers. Talking with you has renewed my passions. Thanks! Please contact me. Will reimburse. **~** 7944

## EARTH DAY

EARTH DAY
Saturday Market, 4/22, p.m.
You had brown top, light green slacks. Me, a single dad with young daughter. You looked interested and interesting. Coffee? \$\mathbf{r}\$ 7913

# **HEART SKIPS A BEAT**

You always come in with a smile. I know your married but I still like you. Heart skips a beat when you look my way Mikkie. Love, V. ☎ 7907

# NATASHA'S MUFFINS

random Prehoda lab bran muf Very ranuo andly, **a** 7905 random, but very

# TATTOO BY

Desian, I saw you there about noon on 4/19/06. You were wearing blue jeans and a brown jacket. Are you bi or gay? Call me. \$\pi\$ 7900

You Bartended at Black Forest and Samurai Duck, I still have the Lucky Guitar Quarter! Call me! 🕿 7897

# SEEKING DAMIEN

Can't find your number and don't know how to find you. Do you still exist? Had a hot time th you I cant forget. Summ Eugene, let's hook up.

SMUT SHACK BABE You: Tall, beautiful girl, brown hair and eyes with piercings. Me: Missing your chipped tooth. I want to make dutch ovens with you. Gimme sugar, smut goddess! 🕿 7828

# i Love you

# HONEYBEAR!

Yes, let's meet in the back seat and I will shake it just for you cuz I am vour dancing diva. I love being hot sexy lesbians



# DHARMA FRIENDS

Irish Eskimo raised by Mexican babysitters has been blessed by the company and cultures of many and seeks friends who practice Buddhist Dharma. 🕿

# I LOVE MY CATS BUT

I am tired of hanging out with only them. ISO fellow shy, cre-ative, crafty F in 20s to inspire each other artistically and to just hang out and talk! 🕿 7836

## STRAIGHT FRIENDS

STRAIGHT FRIENDS
C with hot tub, massage table.
ISO emotionally and physically
fit, spirited active, social C/W
to join for potluck, theater,
dance, and more. Friendships
build relationships. \$\mathbf{7}\$ 7835

# READERS WANTED

Let's start a Saturday or Sunday midmorning once a month book club. Discuss clas sic modern literature or whatever the group decides in a public place. Men and women e. 🕿 7832

# natives

### BJ BETTY WANTED

BJ BETTY WANTED
Mid 20s male looking for a
female, to satisfy me orally.
Must be clean and 18 or older.
Nothing else matters as long as
you love giving oral pleasure.
Need a very discreet, no stings
attached, relationship. \$\frac{\pi}{2}\$ 7968

## MEETINGS AND GOSSIP

Transgender seeking similar minded for informal meetings and gossip. Just friends at first, maybe meet new people in our area. Girls just want to have fun! ☎ 7962

## GENTLEMAN FOR LTR

Slender, elegant, submissive and daring transsexual girl with a little more. Seeking understanding gentleman for LTR. I'm feminine, domestic, layer rela-playing and leaving. love role-playing and pleasing my man. Sexy in leather or lace. ☎ 7961

# LEATHER, BONDAGE

woman, no children, for safe kinky exploration: mild S/M comfortable restraints titilla tion and suspense Meaningful relationship possible. 🕿 7959

# DISCREET PLEASURES

MWM, 35, 5'10", seeks sexy discreet female for daytime hot and erotic pleasures. Will respect boundaries and satisfy all your pands You be University all your needs. You be HWP and adventurous. ☎ 7954

# LOST ROCKS

Rock head Jesus wants play-mate with mutual Saint John the Baptist Guild, SWF, 35, hairy underside, seeking polite liber-al. Occasional sex, lounge chair vrestling. 🕿 7952

# FEMALE SWINGER

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# ATTRACTIVE LADY

I'm seeking a few BiM for my swinging birthday party! I will love to watch and ioin in Hubby wants to watch. Well ed and blacks a plus! No females. 🕿 7915

# MBIF ISO SBIF

MBIF ISO SBIF Attractive redhead seeking attractive lady, I prefer long dark hair, to have fun with while hubby watches. Please contact me. **27** 7914

# PLEASURE IS JOB #1

Attentive minion ISO large chested goddess to please to hearts content, Discreet, clean fun male willing to work to make sure your needs are met.

Reply poste haste! \$\frac{1}{2}\$7908

# ENEMA AND SPANKING

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am a crossdresser from
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7906

# **LONELY AND BUSY**

of the house in the evenings. Hoping fun, spirited, 25-35, F could come over late nights, or meet for hottubs daytimes. I am fun, clean, fit, sexy, and sane. \$\frac{1}{2}\$7904

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## DADDY'S GIRL

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# 25 YO SINGLE MALE

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# DOUBLE PLEASURE

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BEEN DIKEAMING 100?
Have you been dreaming about it too? Hot, hung, straight, stud. Late 30s looking for same. Must be married or attached, drug and disease free, 30s. Will consider hot couple if cool. \$\pi\$ 7841

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Must be drug and STD free.

### YOUNG M FOR BUSTY F

27 yo male seeks busty older women for discreet fun. Loves to pleasure and spoil. ☎ 7833

# SEEKING FUN TIMES

SWBiM, 44, smooth, slender and submissive. Seeks open minded and assertive male or female of any race for hot times and limitless exploration. I like to watch movies, dress up and I'm for real, you be too.

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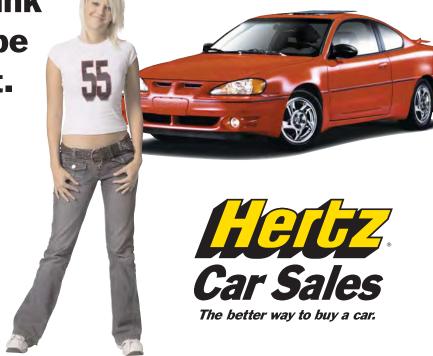
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